

Westland Public Library
Board of Trustee Minutes
Wednesday, April 14, 2010
Board Conference Room

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland, Michigan was held on Wednesday, April 14, 2010 at 6123 Central City Parkway, Westland, Michigan.

1. Call to Order and Attendance

Meeting called to order at 7:02 PM by Board President Leslie Bell

Roll Call

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Leslie Bell – President

Duane Moody – Vice-President/Treasurer

Rebecca Kelly – Secretary

Eddie Rice

Michael Weck

STAFF PRESENT:

Cheryl Napsha

ALSO PRESENT:

Michael McNamara - Library Attorney

2. Action on Agenda

MOTION, to amend items on section 4 of agenda to read as follows:

a. Employee of the Month

b. Approval of meeting minutes from March 10, 2010

c. Approval of special meeting minutes from April 1, 2010

d. Approval of Bills

e. Update on Parking Lot Lighting

Motion by: Moody

Support by: Rice

Moody – aye

Rice – aye

Weck – aye

Kelly – aye

Bell – aye

Motion Carried

3. Citizen's Comments

None from audience. Citizen comment cards were discussed.

4. Business

a. Employee of the Month

Barbara Given was recognized as the library's employee of the month for April 2010 and granted use of the Employee-of-the-Month parking space.

b. Approval of Meeting Minutes from March 10, 2010

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the March 10, 2010 regular board meeting as presented

Motion by: Moody

Support by: Rice

Moody - aye

Rice - aye

Weck - aye

Kelly - aye

Bell - aye

Motion Carried

From discussion of March 10th meeting minutes,
MOTION made to reflect support for Mr. Moody's nomination and to reaffirm his election as Vice-President in the March 10 meeting.

Motion by: Rice

Support by: Kelly

Rice - aye

Kelly - aye

Moody - aye

Weck - aye

Bell - aye

Motion Carried

c. Approval of Special Meeting Minutes from April 1, 2010

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the special board meeting on April 1, 2010

Motion by: Moody

Support by: Rice

Moody - aye

Rice - aye

Weck - abstain

Kelly - aye

Bell - aye

Motion Carried

d. Approval of Bills

MOTION, to approve bills as submitted

Motion by: Kelly

Support by: Rice

Kelly – aye

Rice – aye

Moody – aye

Weck – aye

Bell - aye

Motion Carried

e. Update on Parking Lot Lighting

Ms. Napsha reminded the board that we were going to wait until the leaves are on the trees before we make any decisions on parking lot lighting. At that time, low level lighting outside the front entrance will also be considered.

5. Director's Report

Director's report was presented and discussed. Ms. Napsha also informed the board about the groundbreaking ceremony for the DTE garden and the unveiling of the art project that Andy was involved with. It will be followed by transport of the artwork to the library and a concert in the pavilion.

Weck: Mr. Weck had several questions about the upcoming budget and discussed them with Ms. Napsha.

Moody: Mr. Moody expressed appreciation for the extensive report and especially enjoyed reading about the PLA conference.

Rice: Mr. Rice also enjoyed the report and was impressed with the knowledge gained from attendance at the PLA conference. He also expressed his desire to see the Memoir Writing workshop offered again because he was unable to attend.

Kelly: Ms. Kelly told Ms. Napsha how much she enjoys the quotes at the beginning of each director's report and thought the information shared from the PLA conference was excellent. She also commended Ms. Napsha and staff for putting together programs that other libraries want to duplicate.

Bell: Ms. Bell agreed with other board member comments and personally saw the excitement when Ms. Napsha and staff returned from the PLA conference. She commended Marilyn's and Andy's efforts again this month. Ms. Bell also expressed her disappointment at the postponement of the "Innocence Project" but looks forward to it being rescheduled.

6. Citizen Comments

None

7. Board Member Comments

Moody: Mr. Moody asked if board approval is needed to move a library program to the mall but no one was aware of anything in the bylaws addressing it.

Weck: Mr. Weck spoke with the general manager, Carol Rutz, at Westland Mall about a library table at the mall for the community outreach part of the strategic plan. Ms. Rutz wants to make an event out of it that would benefit the mall and the library. Mr. Weck thought bringing some classes or open mic night to the mall might generate interest and a fun atmosphere. He extended the offer to facilitate a meeting between Ms. Napsha and Ms. Rutz.

Rice: Mr. Rice congratulated Ms. Given for being named employee of the month and expressed admiration for her ability to create big programs with a small budget. He also congratulated Mr. Moody on the reaffirmation of his election as Vice-President.

Kelly: Ms. Kelly offered congratulations to Barbara Givens for her employee of the month award.

Bell: Ms. Bell congratulated Barbara and gave an extra thanks to Andy for his work and hours spent on the DTE garden.

8. Next meeting topics

Budget Review

9. Adjournment

Motion by: Moody

Support by: Rice

RESOLVED, to adjourn meeting @ 8:20 PM

Moody - aye

Rice - aye

Weck - aye

Kelly - aye

Bell - aye

Motion Carried