

**DECATUR PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**Regular Meeting**

**August 19, 2010**

**I. CALL TO ORDER:**

Mary Gendry, vice-president called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. Members present: Eugene King, Carol Craig, Darryl Barbee, and Jim Alpi. Teena Zindel-McWilliams and Edward Costa were absent. Gail Crookshank and Michael Deatherage new appointees to the board were present. Staff present: Lee Ann Fisher and Karen Bjorkman. Members of the public present: Amy McEvoy, DeAnna Davis, and Katie Gross.

**II. INTRODUCTION AND INDUCTION OF NEW BOARD MEMBERS**

Ms. Bjorkman conducted the Induction of Ms. Gail Crookshank and Mr. Michael Deatherage. Ms. Gendry, vice-president welcomed them to the board.

**III. AGENDA**

Motion by Mr. Alpi and seconded by Mr. King to approve agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

**IV. MINUTES:**

Motion by Mr. King and seconded by Mr. Barbee to approve the minutes of the July 15, 2010, meeting as amended. Motion carried with Mr. Alpi abstaining.

**V. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

Ms. Fisher presented the new brochure by the Decatur Area Convention and Visitors Bureau to the board for information.

**VI. LIBRARIAN'S REPORT:**

Ms Fisher answered questions from the board about the breakdown of items checked out. Mr. Deatherage asked if it would be possible to show just what was checked out by material description rather than just showing the total number of items checked out.

**VII. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:**

**Personnel, Policy, and Public Relations Committee:**

Ms. Fisher reported that the library had received a copy of the changes to the negotiated Collective Bargaining Agreement with Council 31, American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees AFL-CIO and its local Union 268. The copy of the possible new contract has been forwarded to Everett Nicholas (library attorney).

**Finance and Properties Committee:**

Motion by Mr. Alpi and seconded by Mr. King to approve the bills for July 2010. Motion carried on a roll call vote yes.

Budget was presented for information. Ms. Fisher explained that the \$3,934.90 in Printing was for library cards and that the bill came through in May rather than April.

Ms. Craig explained that the possibility of a lease for the Annex with Baby Talk is still on hold and that Claudia Quigg (liaison with Head Start) was in communication with the Federal Agency in Washington that approved the grant.

The board will tour the Library Annex at the September 14, 2010, regular Finance & Properties meeting at 4:30 p.m.

Ms. Fisher had heard from Mark Gibson, attorney, about the Richland Community College; Project Read and Community Foundation; C3: College and Career Center leases. He is sending copies of the leases to Ms. Fisher.

**Rolling Prairie Library System:**

Ms. Gendry reported that the Rolling Prairie Library System (RPLS) can operate until March. They are working on a consolation plan. The Northern library systems have hired a facilitator to mediate their merger. Ms. Fisher stated that she is on the planning committee for a possible merger of the Southern systems. Two (2) things are to be maintained: the state wide deliver system and the Local Library System Automation Program (LLSAP). The next meeting of the Southern systems is scheduled for September.

**Friends of the Decatur Public Library:**

Amy McEvoy reported that the Friends are working on the Labor Day big book sale and they have found a way to recycle the books. Ms. Bjorkman reported that the Friends approved paying for Eleanor Wood and Amy Hanaway to attend ILA in Chicago.

**Foundation:**

Ms. Fisher discussed the meeting times for the Board and the Committees. Discussion of various adjustments to the current meeting times followed by the Board members.

Motion by Ms. Craig seconded by Mr. Barbee that all of the meetings of the Board be at 4:30 p.m. on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month, except for May which is on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday for the annual meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Gendry made the following appointments to the committees for the current fiscal year. Ms. Crookshank – Policy, Personnel and Public Relations. Mr. Deatherage—Finance and Property. Ms. Gendry—Finance and Property. Mr. Barbee—Policy, Personnel and Public Relations.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS:**

Trustee Orientation will be Wednesday, September 8, 2010, at 3:30 p.m.

**X. SERVING OUR PUBLIC:**

Discussion will resume in September.

**XI. COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:**

Comments were made by Ms. DeAnna Davis.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion by Mr. King and seconded by Mr. Alpi to adjourn the meeting at 5:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Karen Bjorkman*  
Assistant City Librarian

Approved as amended September 16, 2010