DECATUR PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES Thursday, November 15, 2001 4:30 p.m. AGENDA

I	Call to	order - Mark Gibson, President
	Αρρτο	val of minutes
	A	Regular meeting of October 25, 2001
	Carrie	runication from the public
<u> </u>	City L	ibrarian's report
7	Repor	ts of committees
	A	Personnel, Policy, and Public Relations Committee
		1. Meeting of November 1, 2001
	B.	Finance and Properties Committee
		 Approval of bills for October 2001 Meeting of November 6, 2001
	C.	Rolling Prairie Library System
		1. Report on November meeting
	D.	Friends of the Library
		1. Meeting of November 14, 2001
	=_	Foundation
		1. Meeting of October 29, 2001
	Servi	g Our Public: Standards for Illinois Public Libraries
	A	Chapter V, Reference, Reader's Advisory, and Bibliographic Instruction
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Adjournment

DECATUR PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES October 25, 2001

L CALL TO ORDER

Arnold, Ty Cocagne, Carol Craig, Mary Gladney, Patricia Greanias, Eugene Moore, and Phil Wise. Staff present: Lee Ann Fisher and Linda Humphreys.

Pat McDaniel.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

September 20, 2001, were approved as mailed.

COMMUNICATION FROM THE PUBLIC

public addressed the Board.

CITY LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

The Can Librarian's written report was previously mailed.

The change is Monday. October 29.

Beat of the Adult Division should be announced within the next couple of weeks.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Policy, and Public Relations Committee: The committee met October 15, 2001.

Properties Committee: Mr. Cocagne made a motion to approve the September The muturn was seconded by Mrs. Greanias and unanimously carried on roll call vote.

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Mrs. Moore was unable to attend the meeting.

The Friends met October 10. 2001. The purchase of a new public and the library was approved. A reception for Ms. Fisher was also planned for being bookmobile will be part of the large bookmobile will be part of the

The next meeting is scheduled for October 29.

SERVING OUR PUBLIC: STANDARDS FOR ILLINOIS PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Collection Management, was reviewed.

OLD BUSINESS

The was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

reported that one of the check-out stations in circulation will be set up to better wheelchairs and children.

bookmobile has arrived. Ms. Fisher invited trustees to look at it in the parking working with Millikin Trust officials on some type of recognition for their which made the purchase possible.

ADJOURNMENT

The Gallacian adjourned the meeting at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Gladney, Secretary

Decatur Public Library Board of Trustees

CITY LIBRARIAN'S REPORT November 9, 2001 DECATUR PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

ADMINISTRATION: DRA, the lease space and interviewing for two positions have the bulk of my time. In addition, I was invited to met the Secretary of State, Jessie and be at a press conference with him on the new Domestic Violence Program which he looked off the next day here at DPL. He was very impressed with the facility. As a result I was merviewed on TV and by two papers. I had lunch with Lucy Murphy as part of a focus group the Community Foundation, also with David Zindel from Richland Community College.

Moore and I met with City Manager Steve Garman and Mike Mowen, the Assistant City Manager. We also visited State Senator Duane Noland. Ty Cocagne and I met with Chuck Longotter and Cardwell representatives. I joined the ABWA. I had meetings with Nims, union meetings, Mark Gibson, Becky Dorgan of RCC and her seniors' focus group. I toured the Cardwell representatives Departments and met the staff one on one. I pulled the non-factor for the send list the first day; it took two and a half hours of straight pulling. I filled in as the page for half a morning when Circulation had four out sick.

GATES FOUNDATION GRANT: I was a speaker at ILA on the "Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation Grants for Illinois Libraries" for the state library

DRA: We went "live" October 30th. Now for the good, the bad, the ugly. Right now we ugly stage, wishing it were just bad and hoping for something good to come out of this. Laws of OBC data; we don't know what went out and what came back for those two less stretched and stressed to the max. This system has created more work not less and less it getting any better anytime soon. We have technology issues, functionally issues and expressed our concerns. Talked to Paul at RPLS about specific concerns that came Department Head meeting. Working on resolving what we can one step at a time, but less long time before some issues are worked out.

The Friends are hosting a reception for me on Sunday November 18 from 1the Road Scholars programs will be Sunday November 11th @ 2 called "Private They paid for a pizza party and all the fixings for the staff on October 2 as a party through conversion.

Charlotte Davis, formerly a director at the Monticello Public Library in Indiana mext week as the Head of Adult Services. Matt Wilkerson, the technology RPLS, will be our new systems administrator after Thanksgiving.

Adult Services is still one position short. Now that there is a new will move on filling this position. Arthur will resume his regular duties He has done a great job during this trying time. He also completed a How to Find Audio Visual Materials." Sue was a speaker at an ILA pre-

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Fair and prepared a pathfinder of library resources for the Community Resource Forum workers who have lost their jobs and she also served on the search committee for the head of the department. Dayle created new displays and presented a program to the American of University Women. She did Jane Johns for the writers fair and two other events.

I was hostitalized most of the month. Staff are dealing with the

BUILDING DIVISION: The only department not affected by DRA. All vehicles in good surface order. Completed inspection of the new bookmobile. The new water softener is and should be working soon. Repair to the parking lot hole by the dumpster is Received final clearance on the library building inspection (not the lease area) and we are installed. We cannot get a final inspection on the lease space until he does.

CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT: Katie considers DRA a nightmare with all of its kinks.

See up finally. Ordering materials is a little ahead and working on weeding,

Camaged or worn out materials. Pre school story times had 83 attending, Baby TALK

109. Seventeen other groups visited the children's area bringing 295 people.

Camaged or the season and in November will be having a contest on Caldecott and

CICLATION DIVISION: Robyn actually likes DRA. Circulation has had to do the paron troubleshooting during the DRA conversion, especially since we lost some and the fines and fees transferred improperly. They are doing exceedingly well at mobiles as they occur. We are being very forgiving for any mistakes. Installed a new lost scale at the end of the circulation desk. The new receipt printers are working very are happy with the new format. Circulation has also been doing the send list; the bear moved from this department as it is too time consuming and staff intensive hande on a daily basis. We are considering several options to this problem.

Lots of issues and decisions still need to be made concerning DRA. The new bookmobile is stocked and running. Lee and Karen attended the Bookmobile Conference. We are checking into using palm pilots to circulate materials and laptops. Had two new volunteers sign on to help the library.

ADMINISTRATION: All other projects placed on hold during DRA

Nicole has been great at solving and working on problems as they arise

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served on the search committee for the new Systems Administrator and attended DRA users group meetings.

TECHNICAL DIVISION: Bev feels that DRA has created more questions than answers. The bulk of correcting data problems has fallen to TS. For most of them there is no quick fix. Each change/correction has to be made manually on an individual item. There are others that RPLS has been able to do a universal change. Getting new material out has slowed to a crawl and there is a backlog. Steve is still not able to get the acquisition module to work properly, so there are no new books being ordered at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Ann Fisher

Lee Ann Fisher City Librarian November 9, 2001



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STATISTICAL REPORT October 2001

TECHNICAL SERVICES

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PERSONNEL ACTIVITY:

WALLEY.

All Library Page (½ time), Head of Adult Division

LIBRARY CARDS: NOT AVAILABLE

HONAL ASSISTS: this 12 months to date: 72,095

last 12 months to date: 77,782

IN THE BUILDING: this 12 months to date: 320,027

last 12 months to date: 329,686

PURCHASED: this 12 months to date: 17,808

last 12 months to date: 21,067

27 volunteers worked 316.5 hours

USAGE BY LIBRARY PATRONS:

1765 people, 2801 time slots

usage: 249 people, 544 time slots

Personnel, Policy & Public Relations Committee November 1, 2001

Arnold called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Members present: Mrs. Arnold, Mary Gadney and Shirley Moore. Absent: Carol Craig and Mark Gibson. Staff present: Lee Ann Fisher and Linda Humphreys.

Ms. Fisher said that the library needs a travel policy. A sample policy from the will be used as a guideline to develop a new policy for the library.

The library's holidays were reviewed. After discussion, the committee agreed to make the library on Christmas Eve. Any further change to the holidays would need the next contract negotiations.

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Ms. Fisher reported on the change from GEAC to DRA. She noted that the policy needs to be changed to reflect due dates as they are now set in DRA.

The also reported that she hopes to hire a Systems Administrator very soon. The accordingly and amend the job description accordingly.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Ann Fisher, City Librarian

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Finance and Properties Committee November 6, 2001

Mr. Cocagne called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. Members present: Mr. Cocagne, Pat Greatias, and Eugene King. Absent: Phil Wise and Mark Gibson. Staff present: Linda Flumphress and Lee Ann Fisher.

Fisher reported that the City Engineer is working with Mr. Harris regarding suppose to the library's parking lot and training to stripe the lot using city to the library.

Anthology Booksellers: Mr. Cocagne reported that he and Ms. Fisher met With Mr. Lohrstorfer and Shawn Lahniers regarding the rent for Anthology Africance 5 with Mr. Lohrstorfer and Shawn Lahniers regarding the rent for Anthology Africance 10 collect the additional \$2,750 that he has offered to pay, 2) advise him that the November 30. and 3) \$1,400 is due each Friday in December beginning December also expressed concern regarding the terms of his lease and other issues. The discuss these issues at the next Board meeting.

Mr. Cocagne reported that the library does not have enough money that the payment to the city which is due December 1. Mr. Cocagne will have about this and report back to the Board.

At income report from the Meyer trust was received. Mr. Cocagne is necessary since the library is tax exempt.

for October 2001: The bills were reviewed.

Additional memory is being added to some of the systems to help with

The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lee Ann Fisher, City Librarian

Chapter V Reference, Reader's Advisory, and Bibliographic Instruction

Quality reference service is the provision of information or material within a time frame, at a level, and in a format that is satisfactory for the patron.

Reference service is the provision of information in response to a patron's question.

Reader's advisory service is guidance in selecting material appropriate to a specific patron's desires and needs.

Bibliographic instruction is service provided in response to a request by a patron either for the individual or for a group to learn how to use one or more of the library's resources.

All Illinois public libraries should provide or contract to provide professional reference service for their patrons. For purposes of this document *professional reference service* reference service provided by a person holding an MLS degree from an ALA-accordined program.

The solution of the funding to hire a full-time qualified librarian, other approaches, such a full-time funding may be required.

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compacts between small libraries and larger libraries for reference service

stated qualified librarians, with several small libraries pooling funds to employ and state a qualified librarian who would handle collection management, train staff, and provide back-up reference service and perhaps function as a circuit librarian working suitable hours at each site

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produce to provide their combined patrons with access to reference service to provide their combined patrons with access to reference agreed number of hours (A number of Illinois public libraries already reference service using this approach.)

Applicable Core Standards

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The library provides uniformly gracious and friendly service to all library users.

board-approved mission statement, a long-range plan, a discrete prevention and recovery plan, and policies. Such policies include to the following topics: personnel; reference; use of the library for materials services, and facilities, including use of the library for

exhibits and meetings; and collection management. Illinois statutory law specifically requires the board to establish and review at least biennially a written policy for the selection of library materials (as part of the library's collection management policy) and the use of library materials and facilities [75 ILL. COMP. STAT. ANN. 5/4-7.2 or 75 ILL. COMP. STAT. ANN. 16/30-60]. All library policies are in compliance with state and federal laws. (See appendix 2.2)

- The library adopts and adheres to the principles set forth in the American Library Association's *Library Bill of Rights* and other ALA intellectual freedom statements and interpretations. (See appendices 2.4-2.6 for ALA *Library Bill of Rights* and other ALA intellectual freedom statements.)
- The library adopts and adheres to the ALA *Code of Ethics*. (See appendix 2.7 for *Code of Ethics*.)
- The library is a member of an Illinois multitype library system and participates in resource sharing through interlibrary loan and reciprocal borrowing.
- The library has a telephone, telefacsimile machine, photocopier, and computer with modem. The library provides telephone service to its patrons with hearing disabilities through a TTY (teletypewriter), TDD Telecommunications Devices for the Deaf) or a voice relay provided by the telephone company.
- The library provides access to ILLINET Online.
- The library provides or develops a formal agreement with another agency provide reference service to the community.

Summerical Standards

- The services are available when the library is open. For the purpose of this are circulation and reference and reader's advisory. If the services are circulation and reference and reader's advisory are provided to children and adults from two the library provides adequate staffing at both locations at all services are available for the library provides adequate staffing at both locations at all services are available when the library provides adequate staffing at both locations at all services are available when the library provides adequate staffing at both locations at all services are available when the library provides adequate staffing at both locations at all services are available when the library provides adequate staffing at both locations at all services are available when the library provides adequate staffing at both locations at all services are available when the library provides adequate staffing at both locations at all services are available when the library provides adequate staffing at both locations at all services are available when the library provides adequate staffing at both locations at all services are available when the library provides adequate staffing at both locations at all services are available when the library provides are availab
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- The library provides current issues of at least one community or local newspaper and retains backfiles for a minimum of six months.
- 8. The library provides access to local ordinances or codes of all municipalities within its service boundaries.
- The library provides access to local and state maps.
- The library provides access to the minutes of local government meetings. These include but are not limited to municipal (village, township, or city) and school board meetings.
- The library provides voter information, including precinct boundaries and location of polling places.
- The library provides information about local history and events.
- The library has telephone books for the local calling area and any other frequently requested areas.
- The library has all materials included in the list of basic reference materials. See appendix 5.2.)
- Staff have access to a telephone to receive and respond to requests for information and materials and to contact other agencies for information.

Example 1 Reference Service

reference service is one of the most difficult areas of library service to measure, the exercise of examining and attempting to evaluate reference service heightens the examining and attempting to evaluate reference service, increases the librarian's to patron needs, and stimulates efforts to improve. (See appendix 5.3 for examining methods.)

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October 29, 2001

Ms. Lee Ann Fisher, Librarian and Members of the Board Decatur Public Library 130 N. Franklin Street Decatur, Illinois 62523

Ladies and Gentlemen:

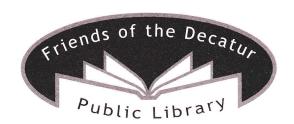
Recently while visiting the Decatur Public Library I was confronted with the strong smell of diesel fuel coming from the Bookmobile parked with its motor running—both as I went into the Library and when I came out about half an hour later. The Bookmobile was parked on the down sloping loading ramp, and the rear of the vehicle was pumping exhaust fumes down the ramp. Because of the down slope and the roof overhang it was immediately obvious that exhaust fumes were accumulating and compounding.

Inside the Library I also noticed the exhaust fume smell. This cannot be good. In addition to the unpleasant smell and possible health problems those fumes may cause, carbon monoxide may also become a problem. Many problems cannot be easily solved. This one is easy. Either park the Bookmobile elsewhere out in the open in the parking lot or turn off its engine.

Thank you for whatever you do to solve this problem. I am a regular patron of the Library and a vocal apostle for the wonders of this lovely facility without equal in central Illinois and perhaps with out equal anywhere in Illinois.

Very truly yours,

JOHN F DUNN



MEMO

TO:

Mark Gibson, President

Decatur Library Board

FROM:

Jane Spittler

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Reception for Lee Ann Fisher

November 18, 2001

DATE:

November 13, 2001

Hopefully, most arrangements for the public reception for Lee Ann Fisher on Sunday, November 18, from 1 to 4 p.m., have been completed. I have mailed about 250 written invitations to, among others, the Library Board and Foundation Board members, all large donors to both the Foundation and the Friends, Lee Ann's family, friends and neighbors, all city and county elected officials and dignitaries, all members of the school board, and school administrators and principals, and assorted other Decatur notables (hospitals, chamber, and the like).

The reception will begin with a receiving line at 1:00 p.m. The mayor has agreed to read a proclamation at 2:00 p.m. I would appreciate it if you would introduce the mayor as well as members of the library board who are in attendance. I will introduce you as well as members of my board. After reading the proclamation, the mayor will introduce the six students from the Young Authors program who will read their winning compositions.

I have arranged for chamber music as a background during the reception, and have had the piano checked for tuning. Cake, punch and flowers have been ordered. I have arranged for people to serve refreshments and conduct tour of the library as well as the new bookmobile. I have also arranged for a public donation box for the bookmobile on order. Please let me know if there are any details I have omitted. Thanks.