

DECATUR PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Meeting

July 16, 2009

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Teena Zindel-McWilliams, president, called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. Members present: Nicholette Rademacher, Mary Gendry, William Faber, Rene Corcoran, Beth Couter, Shirley Moore. Absent: Darryl Barbee and Ed Costa. Administrative staff present: Lee Ann Fisher and Karen Bjorkman. Others present: Steven Luker.

II. AGENDA:

Agenda approved as presented with a motion by Mrs. Gendry and seconded by Mrs. Couter.

III. MINUTES:

Motion by Mrs. Couter and seconded by Mrs. Rademacher to approve the June 18, 2009, minutes as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

No communications have been received from the public.

V. CITY LIBRARIAN'S REPORT:

Ms. Fisher discussed borrowing between \$300,000 and \$800,000 from the city of Decatur to repair the HVAC system in the main building by replacing it with a Trane, repaving the parking lot and the roof on the annex. Efficiency grants are 5% at this time if borrowing. Busey Bank Trust Department has notified the library that they may be closing the Bridges Trust.

VI. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

Personnel, Policy, and Public Relations Committee:

No meeting in July.

Finance and Properties Committee:

Check register for June was presented for review.

Friends of the Decatur Public Library:

Mrs. Gendry reported that the Friends are working on the upcoming September sale. Scouts were pleased to be able to do the Saturday parking for the car show.

Foundation:

Next meeting is scheduled for August 24, 2009.

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

The architect will open the bids on July 22, 2009. The bids will be read by vendor, specs and amounts. They will be available for review by the board and discussion will be conducted on August 20, 2009.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

Motion read by President Mrs. Zindel-McWilliams at 4:27 p.m.: I move that the Board enter into closed session for the purpose of discussing individual personnel, as specific in Section 2 (c) (1) of the Open Meeting Act. Motion seconded by Mrs. Gendry. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Couter at 4:33 p.m. and seconded by Mrs. Moore that the board exit closed session and return to the regular meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Library attorney Ed Booth joined the meeting at 4:35 p.m.

Motion read by President Mrs. Zindel-McWilliams at 4:35 p.m.: I move that the Board enter into closed session for the purpose of discussing individual personnel, as specific in Section 2 (c) (1) of the Open Meeting Act. Motion seconded by Mrs. Gendry. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Rademacher at 4:37 p.m. and seconded by Mrs. Moore that the board exit closed session and return to the regular meeting. Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion by Mrs. Rademacher and seconded by Mrs. Gendry that the library council and the city librarian enter into discussion to resolve the personnel issue with the authority to spend up to \$7,000.

Motion by Mrs. Rademacher and seconded by Mrs. Gendry to amend the motion to the library council and the city librarian entering into discussion to resolve the personnel issue by doing a buyout of IMRF retirement up to the amount of \$7,000, if it can be approved by IMRF. Motion passed on a majority of yes votes with 1 no vote.

X. COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

Steven Luker stated that this was his 5th request to the library that the subscription to the periodical "der Spiegel" be renewed. He stated the computer configuration for patrons using the Internet was not very nice and that the library had received funds from the insurance and should get nicer furniture. He stated that he would be writing a letter to the editor.

XI. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Mrs. Couter and seconded by Mrs. Rademacher to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:13 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Bjorkman
Assistant City Librarian