DECATUR PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Meeting November 17, 2009

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Teena Zindel-McWilliams, president, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Members present: Mary Gendry, Jim Alpi, William Faber, Nicholette Rademacher, Edward Costa and Eugene King. Darryl Barbee and Carol Craig were absent. Staff present: Lee Ann Fisher and Karen Bjorkman.

II. AGENDA:

Agenda was approved as presented.

III. MINUTES:

Motion by Mrs. Rademacher and seconded by Ms. Gendry to approve the minutes of the October 15, 2009, regular meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Ms. Gendry and seconded by Mr. King to approve the minutes of the October 30, 2009, special called meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC:

There were no communications from the public.

V. CITY LIBRARIAN'S REPORT:

Had no additions.

VI. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

Personnel, Policy, and Public Relations Committee:

No meeting in November.

Motion by Mr. King and seconded by Mrs. Rademacher to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing individual employments as specified in Section 2 (c)(1) of the Open Meeting Act. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Ms. Gendry and seconded by Mrs. Rademacher that the board return to open session. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Zindel-McWilliams stated that she would have the revisions of the Board Bylaws to the committee and then to the full board in December.

Finance and Properties Committee:

Motion by Mrs. Rademacher and seconded by Mrs. Gendry to approve the minutes of the October 27, 2009 committee meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Check register for October was presented for review.

Motion by Mrs. Rademacher and seconded by Mrs. Gendry to approve the bills for October 2009 as presented. Motion carried by a voice vote of yes.

Ms. Fisher led the discussion of the budget and explained that the budget has received 85% of the revenue and that the extra pay period and the insurance benefits have come out of payroll.

Rolling Prairie Library System:

Mrs. Gendry volunteered to serve as the Decatur Public Library Board representative to RPLS.

Friends of the Decatur Public Library:

Mrs. Bjorkman reported that the Friends approved the library's request for \$6,500.00 for a new microfilm reader/printer. They made over \$1,000.00 at the last Second Saturday sale.

Foundation:

Will wait for another meeting until the Board makes a decision on the Cultural Center.

VII. OLD BUSINESS:

The library attorney has spoken with Glenda Williamson about the problems with the heat in her offices at the Annex and has received no notification from her acknowledging when she will be moving.

Noah Tipton is still getting estimates on the boiler repair.

Mr. Alpi brought up the recycling center and asked that Mr. Ray Batman make another presentation to the board. The center has an extension on their current location until March 2010.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS:

Ms. Fisher mentioned her meeting with the city manager about the library funding for next fiscal year. The next city council meeting is November 30, 2009, at 5:30 p.m.

The bids for the Cultural Center were discussed. Motion by Mr. Alpi and seconded by Mr. King that, at this time due to budget constraints, all the bids for the Cultural Center be rejected. Motion carried by a voice vote of yes.

IX. SERVING OUR LIBRARIES:

Ms. Fisher covered the section in the standards dealing with the first 12 standards and the board asked to look them over for the December meeting.

X. COMMENTS FROM PUBLIC:

There were no comments from the public.

XI. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by Mrs. Rademacher and seconded by Mr. King to adjourn the meeting at 5:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Karen Bjorkman
Assistant City Librarian