

BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING
MINUTES
November 19, 2009

A regular monthly meeting of the Racine Public Library Board of Trustees was held on November 19, 2009 at 4:30 PM in the Emily Lee Room.

Board members Robert Goepel, Jerome Maller, Douglas Miller, Dwayne Olsen, Geoffrey Schiveley, Theron Snell, and Aron Wisneski were present. Karen Dagg and Lee Martinez were excused. Donna Maldonado and Sandra Riekoff were absent. Library Director Jessica MacPhail, Business Manager Daniel Schultz, Head of Circulation Services Robert Margis, and Head of Adult & Children's Services Darcy Mohr also attended.

President Theron Snell called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM.

Mr. Margis spoke to the board about the new self-checkout machine currently in use in the lobby. Ms. Joan Phile spoke to the board, under the Public Comment portion of the meeting, in favor of re-opening the library on Sundays.

The board decided, by consensus, to move item one of section four of the agenda—Review possibility of using increased funding from the City of Racine to re-open on Sundays—to the next item of business. It was moved by Mr. Maller and seconded by Mr. Olsen that the board uses the additional funding in the amount of \$33,000 from the city to re-open on Sundays starting in 2010. The decision to re-open on Sundays is contingent on successfully bargaining the impact of the change with the appropriate union bargaining units. Motion carried.

Finance & Personnel Committee – Douglas Miller

No report

Building, Equipment, and Grounds Committee (Ad-Hoc) – Geoff Schiveley

It was moved by Mr. Goepel and seconded by Mr. Miller to refer the extra funding needed for the remodeling project on the 2nd floor to the Finance & Personnel Committee. Motion carried.

Action Taken by the Board

2. It was moved by Mr. Goepel and seconded by Mr. Maller to refer to the Finance & Personnel Committee the creation of a fund for library materials. Motion carried.

3. Proposed contracts with union bargaining units were not completed at the time of the board meeting so no action was taken.
4. It was moved by Mr. Olsen and seconded by Mr. Maller to provide \$400 from the Gift & Memorial Fund for a staff holiday party. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

It was moved by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. Maller that the following items be approved as presented:

1. The minutes of the board meeting on October 15
2. Personnel Report
Resignation Part Time: Christopher Stape
3. Vouchers and credit card purchases of the last month
4. The October 2009 financial report
5. The Library Director's Report
6. The "Dashboard" Report

Motion carried.

Old Business

The Finance & Personnel Committee will be working on the Library Director's annual performance evaluation with input from all board members and select staff members.

Items for the Next Agenda

Mr. Olsen inquired about setting up a meeting—possibly at Wingspread—to discuss the future of library funding and other issues regarding our library.

Having no further business to conduct, the meeting adjourned at 5:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Daniel Schultz
Recording Secretary