

K. McNeely called the regular meeting of the Menominee County Library Board to order at 10:00 AM on Monday, June 18, 2007.

Roll call was taken and present were J. Bejgrowicz, M. Erdman, and K. McNeely. K. Bates and S. Parsons were excused.

M. Erdman moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by J. Bejgrowicz, motion carried.

Public Participation:

There was no public participation at this time.

J. Bejgrowicz moved to approve the minutes from the May 15, 2007 meeting. Seconded by M. Erdman, motion carried.

M. Erdman moved to approve the financial report. Seconded by J. Bejgrowicz, motion carried.

M. Erdman moved to approve the June bills. Seconded by J. Bejgrowicz, motion carried.

Director's Report

- A. The statistics for May were distributed in the board packets.
- B. The Friends of the Library held their annual membership meeting on May 17. The same slate of officers was elected for another year. Their next meeting will be this Thursday, June 21 at 6:30 PM.
- C. The library's list of surplus items was discussed at the Committee of the Whole meeting on June 11, and it will be voted on at their June 25 board meeting.
- D. P. Cheski attended the Great Parents! Great Start! Planning committee meeting on June 13. Both Spies Public Library and Menominee County Library were awarded \$750 to purchase books appropriate to the Zero to Age Five level and some parenting books. We will also be participating in the Family Fun Festivals when dates have been set. This is an increase in funds from the previous years when we received \$500.
- E. SIRSI Library Automation System – The board discussed the possibility and benefits of migrating to this new library system.

Old Business:

- A. Handicap Accessible Entry Doors – One week after our last meeting, a technician from Entrance Technology fixed the handicap accessible door. He said the wind had damaged it. He fixed the closer arm and adjusted the door so it shouldn't open too far, even when the wind is pushing against it. We forwarded the second invoice from Entrance Technology to Steve Wery for payment.
- B. Superiorland Library Cooperative Board Meeting – May 24, 2007. Copies of the SLC minutes were included in the board packets. These minutes outline the many changes SLC is making to compensate for their loss of income from the State of Michigan.

New Business:

- A. Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Preliminary Budget – The Committee of the Whole discussed the budget. The Administrator reported a \$490,108 deficit--\$209,938 in the operating budget, \$163,170 in capital improvements, and \$117,000 for the first 25% of revenue sharing.
- B. State Aid Update – We received word last week that the suspension on State Aid to libraries has been lifted. First half payments will be released to all libraries that had not previously received their state aid. The second-half payments due out July 1 should be released around August 15. There is no word on next year's budget yet, but a 50% cut is still anticipated.
- C. Superiorland Library Cooperative Board Meeting – June 28, 2007 – Joan Brown will be attending this meeting in Escanaba and will report back to us.
- D. SLC Advisory Board meeting and discussion with Michigan Library Association Director, Gretchen Couraud – June 29, 2007 at Peter White Library. Everyone is invited to attend.

Other Board Concerns: There were no other board concerns at this time.

Public Participation: There was no public participation at this time.

As there was no further business, J. Bejgrowicz moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by M. Erdman, the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:22 AM.