

K. McNeely called the regular meeting of the Menominee County Library Board to order at 4:30 PM on Tuesday, May 15, 2007.

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

J. Bejgrowicz moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by K. Bates, motion carried.

Public Participation:

There was no public participation at this time.

M. Erdman moved to approve the minutes from the April 17, 2007 meeting. Seconded by J. Bejgrowicz, motion carried.

S. Parsons moved to approve the financial report. Seconded by J. Bejgrowicz, motion carried.

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

Director's Report

A. The statistics for April were distributed in the board packets.

B. The Friends of the Library will be holding their annual membership meeting on Thursday, May 17 at 6:30 PM. They will be electing officers for the next year.

Peggi Carrier sent a "Letter to the Editor" that was published in the Menominee County Journal, asking people to join the Friends and support the library.

C. A list of surplus items was submitted to the Administrator. The list included extra computers and monitors that were recently replaced with the new ones from the Friends Group and the Gates Foundation. We had already used some of the parts from the computers to fix other ones in the library.

D. We received a letter from Suzanne Dees stating that we would not be receiving the LSTA grant this year. The State of Michigan has frozen all grant funds this year, and it is highly unlikely that any grand funds will be forthcoming in next year's budget. If funds had been available, our joint grant proposal would have been awarded.

E. P. Cheski will research the need for a wireless policy.

Old Business:

A. Handicap Accessible Entry Doors – Entrance Technologies billed the library for \$186. Steve Wery said that Esser Paint and Glass would cover these charges. Yesterday, the closer arm fell off and we had to barricade the automatic door until this morning. Steve fixed it, but we have no idea how it happened or when it might break again.

B. State Librarian's Town Meeting in Escanaba on April 18 -- C. Laurin and P. Cheski attended this meeting. Nancy Robertson, State Librarian, compiled information from the librarians and board members to help her set priorities for the Library of Michigan budget.

New Business:

- A. Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Preliminary Budget – The board members discussed the partial budget submitted to the Administrator.
- B. Superiorland Library Cooperative Board Meeting – April 26, 2007 – Copies of the board minutes were mailed. Their next meeting has been scheduled for May 24. Joan Brown will be attending this critical meeting and will report back to us.

Other Board Concerns: M. Erdman asked if there was a reason why the Pledge of Allegiance was not included in the meeting agenda. P. Cheski will check the by-laws and the Open Meetings Act for clarification.

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 K. Bates, the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 4:56 PM.