

BEECHER COMMUNITY LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, November 19, 2013 7:00 PM - LIBRARY

TRUSTEE ROLL CALL: Biery, present; Bunte, absent; Czarnecki, present; Dean, present; Saller, present; Skold, present; Wehling, present. Jill Grosso and Vicki Squier were also present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Jennifer Bunte arrived 7:02 p.m.

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

Minutes from the October 15 meeting were reviewed. Skold moved to accept minutes as amended, seconded by Wehling.

Biery, abstain; Bunte, yes; Czarnecki, yes; Dean, yes; Saller, yes; Skold, yes; Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

Board reviewed the minutes from Special meeting of Oct. 22, 2013. Bunte moved to approve regular minutes as presented, seconded by Skold.

Biery, yes; Bunte, yes; Czarnecki, yes; Dean, yes; Saller, abstain ; Skold, yes; Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

Board reviewed minutes from the Oct. 29, 2013 Committee meeting.

Skold moved to approve Committee meeting minutes, as presented, seconded by Wehling. **Biery, yes; Bunte, abstain; Czarnecki, abstain; Dean, abstain; Saller, abstain; Skold, yes; Wehling, yes. Motion passed.**

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Gwen presented her Treasurer's report. The balance sheet is good, Financial recap, sound. The Cetera Investment continues to earn; YTD interest exceeds \$10,000. Board reviewed & discussed the report.

Skold moved to approve the treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Bunte.

Biery, yes ; Bunte, yes; Czarnecki, yes; Dean, yes; Saller, yes; Skold, yes; Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

Board reviewed Outstanding bills. No new additions as of today.

Czarnecki moved to pay outstanding bills, seconded by Bunte.

Biery, yes; Bunte, yes; Czarnecki, yes; Dean, yes; Saller, yes; Skold, yes,

Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

Audit is done. Jill will send notify the newspapers that audit is done and is available to view. Jill will also send Annual Financial report to the County Clerk and State Comptroller.

Board reviewed the Budget Comparison and found it to be sound.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Circ STATS are steady. Media on Demand, 158 in October..
- "*The Boys in Chicago Heights*" program was a great success. 65 people showed up, we ran out of chairs, author ran out of books....All Good!

- Much time was spent discussing the purchase of new computers and the new operating system which will be installed this spring. Jill presented her ideas for which to purchase, how many, & capabilities of new computers. She also shared costs of the entire renovation..\$1801.88. Opinions were exchanged concerning need for more estimates, number of new computers, etc. McCann in Frankfort will do all the work.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building/Grounds: Lance will speak with Celia and Dawn about the emergency backup lighting in the building. Fred and Al Bakhaus have differing opinions about cause and solution. New thermostat was installed.

Housekeeping: No news.

Personnel: Gwen will report in New Business.

Schools: None.

Social: Beverly served coffee & Kathy C. baked cookies for the program.

General: Shirley received an invitation from the Chamber to decorate a tree in the Fireman's Park. No decision was made. She also shared newspaper articles about the Maywood Library going bankrupt and the Issue of viewing porn on public computers (i.e. Orland Park Library dilemma).

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: ATM needs to be removed and the property restored to it's original grandeur. This is in the written agreement with

Beecher Community Bank. Shirley suggests we propose they wait until spring and make it a part of our renovation project. This way we can be paid for the work and apply it to the general cost of construction.

- Shirley received written estimates for snow removal. Following discussion, Skold moved that we extend services offered by Michael Hammeister to include snow removal and salt service, seconded by Bunte. **Biery, yes; Bunte, yes; Czarnecki, yes; Dean, yes; Saller, yes; Skold, yes; Wehling, yes. Motion passed.**

Carol Harris' Open House was discussed . A discussion followed, & a decision was made to purchase a gift from the board. Skold moved that we purchase the mahogany book clock and wine decanter and have 'Open House' cards printed at Webber, seconded by Wehling.

Biery, yes ; Bunte, yes; Czarnecki, yes; Dean, yes; Saller, yes; Skold, yes; Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

The blueprints for the renovation were viewed and all members like the new plans.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jill presented 3 scenarios for extending library hours. This is in recognition of the results of the patron survey. There was a very lengthy discussion concerning this issue. The hiring of one or two new pages, the extension of the work week for staff, and the additional cost overall will be the subject of executive session.

Czarnecki moved to adjourn to executive session, seconded by Skold. **Biery, yes ; Bunte, yes; Czarnecki, yes; Dean, yes; Saller, yes; Skold, yes; Wehling, yes. Motion passed.**

Board returned to regular session at 9:23 pm.

Skold moved to hire Linda Stanevich and/or Sharon Grigas on a rotating schedule for hours required by scenario 1 or 2, seconded by Dean.

Biery, yes ; Bunte, yes; Czarnecki, yes; Dean, yes; Saller, yes; Skold, yes; Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

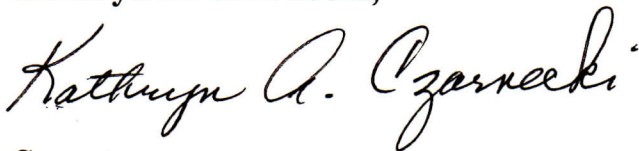
ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **December 8, 2013, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. Carol Harris' Open House**

- Next regular meeting, December 17, 2013, 7:00 p.m.

Czarnecki moved to adjourn meeting at 9:30 PM , seconded by Skold.
Biery, yes ; Bunte, yes ; Czarnecki, yes; Dean, yes; Saller, yes; Skold,
yes; Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

Kathryn A. Czarnecki,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathryn A. Czarnecki". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned to the right of the printed name.

Secretary