

WEBSTER PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEE MINUTES
February 10, 2010

Present: Carol Cooper, Roxanne Emler, Peter Knapp Don Lewis, Mary Alice Moore, Terri Bennet, Lisa Scibetta

Absent: Annemarie Santoro

Guests: Patty Uttaro, Director of MCLS and RPL, Mark Johns, Town Board liaison, Barbara Morrell, Friends representative

Peter Knapp, President called the meeting to order at 7:02.

Patty Uttaro has been Director of MCLS for one year and explained how her focus is to serve the WHOLE of Monroe county and make Central a back up for the town branches. Her vision is to reinvigorate Central library and make Rochester and suburbs aware of what is available in regards to services and programming. Some considerations that she has in mind are to consolidate summer reading activities with smaller programs at the branches. A marketing team has been working on branding for MCLS. Ms Uttaro is cognizant that training must be delivered so that it is meaningful for staff. System emerging technology training teams are starting to set up very brief 'how to' videos. Ms. Uttaro discussed state aid reduction and explained the need to look for alternative revenue streams.

The January board minutes were reviewed Don Lewis moved and Roxanne Emler seconded the approval of the minutes. The minutes passed unanimously.

Friends of WPL Report: Barbara Morrell announced that the lobby book sale continues to bring in \$2000+ monthly. The annual meeting will be held on Sunday, March 14 with guest speaker, Ruth Naperstack discussing the history of the Erie Canal. Mary Alice Moore asked for volunteers for working at the upcoming book sale and she distributed bookmarks that will be available for the community to announce the book sale date beginning April 1.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Terri happily reported that the sign issue has been resolved. She attended the Zoning Board meeting where after some discussion the installation of two signs was approved. There will be a sign on the Hard Rd. side of the library entrance as well as the front or Ridge Rd. side of the entrance.

The WPL will be housing the AARP tax assistance volunteers in the meeting room through April. This service is intended for low to moderate income taxpayers with a focus on senior citizens. This is the result of the closing of the Webster Parks and Recreation Center on Ebner Drive.

Terri announced that the WPL Kwiatkowski team has creatively developed a geocaching treasure hunt in conjunction with the Big Read, Call of the Wild program.

An art show is currently on display in the library as part of one of the WPL pages Senior Project.

FINANCIAL REPORT: January bills totaling \$19,935.85 were presented by Carol Cooper for the board approval. Don moved, Lisa seconded and the board voted unanimously to approve the payment of the bills this time. Carol noted that the Edward Jones account is making a very slow recovery. Fee revenue for January was \$9182.36 which is up slightly from the same period last year.

The board discussed issues regarding the gift to the library. Options will be explored and discussion will continue next month.

New Business: No new business at this time.

At 8:15 Mary Alice moved and Roxanne seconded that the board move to executive session to discuss personnel matters.

At 8:52 Carol moved and Don seconded that the Board return to its public meeting.

At 8:55 Lisa moved and Mary Alice seconded and the board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, March 10, 2010

**Respectfully submitted,
Mary Alice Moore**