

Plattsburgh Public Library
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes - Amended
April 28, 2009

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by President Roland Lockwood.

Trustees Present:

Roland Lockwood, President; Linda Parks, Vice President; Virginia Brady (left at 6:15 p.m.), Harold Brohinsky, Alexander Insley, Thomas Neale, Doris Rible-Lacey (left at 5:00 p.m. and returned at 5:30 p.m.), Judith Rose, Ingeborg Sapp (left at 5:45 p.m.), Kathleen Schumacher (left at 6:02 p.m.), Christine Suruda, and Dr. Frank Ultee (left at 5:40 p.m.).

Trustee Excused:

Dee Polhemus.

Representatives & Staff Present:

Charlie Bainbridge, Town of Plattsburgh Liaison (for Call to Order only); Lori Cantwell, Library Attorney (for Executive Session only); Mayor Kasprzak (for Executive Session only); Michael Kelly, City of Plattsburgh Liaison; Richard Marks, City Chamberlain (for Executive Session only); Stanley Ransom, Plattsburgh Public Library (PPL) Director; Jamie Parrotte, Principal Clerk; Colleen Pelletier, AFSCME Representative (left at 6:03 p.m.).

Executive Session:

On a motion by Harold Brohinsky, seconded by Judith Rose, unanimously carried and passed, the Board voted to go into Executive Session to discuss contract negotiations at 4:33 p.m.

On a motion by Virginia Brady, seconded by Alexander Insley, unanimously carried, and passed, the Board voted to come out of Executive Session at 5:58 p.m.

On a motion by Virginia Brady, seconded by Kathleen Schumacher, to ratify the Memorandum of Agreement between the Union and the Library. Voting in the affirmative were Thomas Neale and Virginia Brady and all others in the negative. The motion was not passed.

Public Forum:

No one addressed the Board.

Approval of Minutes:

On a motion by Harold Brohinsky, seconded by Virginia Brady, unanimously carried, the regular meeting minutes of March 24, 2009 were approved.

President's Report:

President Lockwood had nothing to report.

Director's Report:

Director Ransom reported that the Library received \$7,154 for a construction grant and Arbor Day was a success.

On a motion by Judith Rose, seconded by Alexander Insley, unanimously carried, the Director's Report was approved.

Approval of Bills:

On a motion by Virginia Brady, seconded by Alexander Insley, the bills were approved unanimously in the amount of \$18,927.75.

City of Plattsburgh Liaison:

Councilor Kelly recommended that the Board ask for Sunday hours when preparing the 2010 Library budget. Discussion followed.

Clinton Essex Franklin Liaison:

Director Jankowska was not available to report.

Building and Grounds Committee Report:

Harold Brohinsky had nothing to report.

Finance Committee Report:

Dr. Frank Ultee was unavailable to report.

Friends of the Library Committee Report:

Linda Parks reported the following:

- 1.) Pretty Pots: The painted pots are on display until May 7th, and you have until 2:00 p.m. to put in a final bid.
- 2.) Blooms & Blossoms Art Show: Still on display.
- 3.) Annual Library Luncheon: Will be held on Thursday, June 18th at the Burgundy Room. Author Jeff Kelly will be speaking about his book, *Adirondack Heist*, which recounts the fictional theft of a Rodin sculpture from the Crown Point Lighthouse. Please contact her if interested in attending the luncheon.

Negotiating Committee Report:

Thomas Neale had nothing to report.

Personnel Committee Report:

Christine Suruda had nothing to report.

Social Committee Report:

Linda Parks had nothing to report.

Correspondence:

President Lockwood discussed two letters that were received:

- 1.) Genealogy Workshop: The Saranac Chapter of NSDAR (National Society Daughters of the American Revolution) thanked Director Ransom for a workshop that was recently held at the Library.
- 2.) Hannaford Supermarkets: A donation of \$3,000 was awarded to the Library for the Summer Reading Program.

Old Business:

No Old Business was discussed.

New Business:

- 1.) Budget Transfer: On a motion by Harold Brohinsky, seconded by Thomas Neale, unanimously carried and passed to amend the budget as follows:

Increase estimated revenues for the Gifts and Donations (A/C 612700002705) by	<u>\$ 950.00</u>
Total increase in estimated revenues:	\$ 950.00

Increase appropriation for Technical & Special Materials (A/C 674100004330) by	<u>\$ 950.00</u>
Total increase in appropriations:	\$ 950.00

- 2.) Hi-Lights Newsletter: Director Ransom stated that due to a staffing shortage at the Finance Department, the newsletter will have to be mailed out with the utility bills four (4) times a year instead of six (6).
- 3.) Anonymous Donation: A painting by Ita Bullard was purchased anonymously and donated to the Library. It is an oil painting of Michael Jackson and is now hanging in the Young Adult Room.
- 4.) Trustee Forum: Harold Brohinsky recommended that Board members attend Trustee Forums being held at CEF (Clinton Essex Franklin Library System) on May 16th and June 16th.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be Tuesday, May 26th, 2009, at 4:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Plattsburgh Public Library.

Adjournment:

On a motion by Kathleen Rose, seconded by Alexander Insley, unanimously carried and passed, the Board moved to adjourn at 6:20 p.m.

Transcribed by: Jamie Parrotte