

Regular meeting of the Marathon County Public Library Board of Trustees, Monday February 16, 2009. Headquarters Library, Wausau Room.

Present: Tim Gierl, Paul Buchberger, David Eckmann, Gina Cornell, Scott Winch, Sharon Hunter, Audrey Ascher, Phyllis Christensen

Excused:

Others: Marla Sepnafski, Wisconsin Valley Library Service Director  
Garrett Erickson, Support Services Team Manager  
Mike Hartkopf, Customer Services Team Manager  
Sharyn Heili  
Mike O'Connor  
Barb Ritchie  
Jim Backus  
Heather Wilde, Confidential Personnel Assistant

Meeting was called to order at 12:00 by President Tim Gierl. Tim Gierl welcomed the visitors to the meeting.

**Motion was made by Audrey Ascher to approve the minutes from January 19, 2009. Seconded by David Eckmann. Motion carried.**

**Motion was made by Gina Cornell to accept the Bills & Services reports. Seconded by Audrey Ascher. Motion carried.**

President – no report

Other Board Members – no report

Director's Report – presented by Phyllis Christensen

- New Business Specialist Tom O'Neill will be starting Monday, February 23
- Updated the board on the debt collection with Unique Management Services
- Call Number Reformatting. MCPL is looking into changing the way books are labeled by removing the Cutter number and replacing it with the first 3-5 letters of the authors last name.
- Employment Resources Partnership between the Library, Job Center and NTC
- Highlights of Completed Projects from the Manager's 2008 Project List

County Board of Supervisors – no report

Board Committees - no report

Friends of the Library - Barb Ritchie

- Successful Annual meeting which was 1/25/09 with a presentation by Author John Bates
- The Friends Treasurer reported in 2008 over \$40,000 was given to the Library in grants.
- We had a successful Book Sale in January at the Master Gardener Workshop.
- The February Book Sale did very well. We do not have a final number.

- In November the Friends Board approved \$21,000 in grants to be given to the Library. First installment in January and second in May.

MCPL Foundation - Phyllis Christensen

- The Foundations Fall mailing raised \$6,200 towards the Library Endowment.
- Working on a sponsorship brochure for Marathon County Reads.

Wisconsin Library Trustees & Friends – Jim Backus

- Important year with the economic times and it being budget year.
- February 17 is an important date for libraries and schools. Jim encouraged everyone to vote for the next State Superintendent.

Wisconsin Valley Library Service – Marla Sepnafski

- February is very busy for Wisconsin Valley Library Service. We have to audit 25 public library annual reports.
- We have a new Director in the System.

Committee Assignments for 2009 are the following:

Personnel Committee	Wausau Location Committee
Paul Buchberger	Gina Cornell
Tim Gierl	Audrey Ascher
Scott Winch	David Eckmann

Marathon City Location Committee  
 Paul Buchberger  
 Audrey Ascher  
 Sharon Hunter

**Motion was made by Gina Cornell to accept the Committee Assignments for 2009. Seconded by David Eckmann. Motion carried.**

**Motion was made by Paul Buchberger to transfer the bequest from trust of Kenneth and Genevieve Smith to MCPL Foundation. Seconded by Gina Cornell. Motion carried.**

**Motion was made by Sharon Hunter to approve the changes on the Registration for Library Card. Seconded by Scott Winch. Motion carried.**

**Motion was made by Gina Cornell to approve the 2008 Fund Balance Transfers. Seconded by Audrey Ascher. Motion carried.**

**Motion was made by David Eckmann to approve the 2008 Annual Report. Seconded by Audrey Ascher. Motion carried.**

**Motion was made by David Eckmann to approve the Community Foundation Grant Proposal. Seconded by Gina Cornell. Motion carried.**

Policy Review - A discussion of the Library Board policies Chapter 6.

The Trustees Essential #14 was discussed regarding open meeting laws.

Announcements: Marathon County Board of Supervisors will discuss adoption of Union contracts on Thursday, February 19, 2009, Informational meeting.

Request for Future Agenda Items – Invite Donna Seidel, Jerry Petrowski & Russ Decker to the April Library Board meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 1:17.

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Library Director