

Regular meeting of the Marathon County Public Library Board of Trustees, Monday, January 17, 2011. Headquarters Library, Wausau Room.

Present: Tim Gierl, Scott Winch, Audrey Ascher, Gary Beastrom, Katie Rosenberg, Ralph Illick

Excused: Alison Morrow, Ken Day

Others: Pam Galloway, Tom O'Neill, Mike Hartkopf, Garrett Erickson, Mary Stachowiak, Liz Chiapuzio, Jim Backus, Rebecca Lemons, Sharyn Heili, Marla Sepnafski, Joshua Klingbeil, Frank Matel

The meeting was called to order at 12:04 by Tim Gierl. Tim Gierl welcomed visitors to the meeting and introduced Ralph Illick as the new Library Director. Gary Beastrom and Katie Rosenberg were introduced and welcomed as new members of The Marathon County Public Library Board of Trustees.

Tim Gierl and Audrey Ascher introduced Pam Galloway, a newly elected member of the Wisconsin State Senate. Ms. Galloway expressed her support and fondness for libraries and encouraged each person in the room to make their concerns known to their representatives.

A motion was made by Audrey Ascher to approve the minutes from December 20, 2010 meeting. Seconded by Gary Beastrom. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Scott Winch to approve the Bills & Services report. Seconded by Audrey Ascher. Motion carried.

Announcements – None

Public Comments – None

President – No report.

Other Board Members - None

Director's Report – Presented in the Board packet.

Board Committees – No Reports

Friends of the Library – No Report

MCPL Foundation – No Report

Wisconsin Library Trustees & Friends (WLTF) – Jim Backus reminded the Board of Trustees that Library Legislative Day will be on February 22, 2011.

Wisconsin Valley Library Service – No Report.

By Laws – Tim Gierl discussed the need for the Board of Trustees to periodically review the By Laws and will send proposed revisions to the Trustees for review and discussion at the February meeting.

Election of Officers –

A motion was made by Scott Winch to appoint Tim Gierl as President and Audrey Ascher as Vice-President as recommended by the Nominating Committee. Seconded by Gary Beastrom. Motion carried.

Memorandum of Understanding between MCPL and the Noon Optimists Club of Wausau – Tim Gierl shared information concerning a Memorandum of Understanding between the Noon Optimists Club of Wausau and MCPL. It will be signed by the Library Director.

Future Visioning – Tim Gierl discussed the Future Visioning Process and asked each of the Trustees to review the outcome statements and consider possible methods to measure progress toward each of those ideals. The process will be continued at the February meeting.

Trustee Education – The scheduled article for review, “City of the Future”, part 1, by Thomas Frey, will be discussed at the February meeting along with Trustee Essential #1.

A roll call vote was taken to convene into closed session pursuant to §19.85 (1) (f) Wisc. Stats. for the purpose of considering a donation offer associated with personnel.

Motion to return to open session was made by Gary Beastrom and seconded by Audrey Ascher. Motion carried.

No announcement was made.

Announcements – Tim Gierl asked that future agenda item requests be submitted to him in writing.

A Motion was made by Scott Winch to adjourn the meeting at 1:20. Seconded by Gary Beastrom. Motion carried.



Library Director