

Regular meeting of the Marathon County Public Library Board of Trustees, Monday March 17, 2008. Headquarters Library, Wausau Room.

Present: Tim Gierl, David Eckmann, Audrey Ascher, Scott Winch, Gina Cornell, Roger Zimmermann, Phyllis Christensen

Excused: Paul Buchberger

Others: Brad Karger, Marathon County Deputy County Administrator
Marla Sepnafski, Wisconsin Valley Library Service Director
Jim Backus, Friends of the Library President
Matt Lehman, WSAU Radio
Brian Reisinger, Daily Herald
Robert Ecklund
Barry Liss
Steve & Sue Smith
Greg Bean
Dan Brickheimer
Bruce Furrer
Garrett Erickson, Support Services Team Manager
Mike Hartkopf, Customer Services Team Manager
Betty Tellekson, Library Personnel Specialist
Sharyn Heili
Mike O'Connor
Diane Peterson
Ben Krombholz
Gary Gisselman
Sue Hafemeister, Library Business Specialist

Meeting was called to order at 12:00 by President Gina Cornell.

Motion was made by Audrey Ascher to approve the minutes from February 18, 2008. Seconded by David Eckmann. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Roger Zimmermann to accept the Bills & Services reports. Seconded by Tim Gierl. Motion carried.

President – no report

Other Board Members – no report

Phyllis Christensen presented the Director's Report.

- Brad Karger gave an overview of the County Employee Culture Survey which is very common in the business world. It is designed to improve the organization's performance as an organization and show them how to sustain the strengths of an organization

- Deadline for the librarians was March 15, 2008 and the new position application deadline is March 24, 2008
- New book drop is in use and the drive-up window is nearing completion
- Have had successful teen programs with good attendance
- Program sponsored by the Leigh Yawkey and the library brought illustrator Denise Fleming to our library on March 15, 2008
- Will be attending the Public Library Conference with Garrett Erickson
- Combined Boards Breakfast is tentatively set for 4/30/08 at 7:30 a.m.

Board Committees – no report

Jim Backus shared a written report from the Friends of the Library.

MCPL Foundation – no report

Jim Backus shared a written report from Wisconsin Library Trustees & Friends

Marla Sepnafski shared a written report from Wisconsin Valley Library Service.

Motion was made by Audrey Ascher to approve the Interlibrary Loan Policy and General Procedures. Seconded by Roger Zimmermann. Motion carried.

The Marathon County Public Library Fast Facts 2007 were discussed.

Phyllis Christensen explained the Strategic Visioning Summit questionnaire and encouraged the board to answer the questions.

Ben Krombholz gave a demonstration on the new Library Web Page.

The Trustees Essential 3 was discussed regarding the by-laws basics of the Library Board. They discussed the pros and cons of member term limits and how the board members are selected for the board.

Meeting adjourned at 12:47.

Library Director