

Served as Treasurer from June, 2010, through June, 2013
Served as NSLS and subsequently RAILS representative for the library
Assisted in formulating the long-range plans for the library district
Facilitated financial planning
Assisted in creation of the library's investment policy
Improved fiscal responsibility
Insured appropriate data collection for sound decision making
Promoted and facilitated construction of the Randall Oaks Branch Library
Assisted in renaming the library district
Assisted in oversight of the building envelope project

The Board and staff of Fox River Valley Public Library District appreciate Norm's service on behalf of the residents. Notice of this vacancy will be posted in the near future and board members were urged to recruit candidates for the position. A replacement will be appointed for the remainder of Raven's term (approximately one year) at which time a general election will take place.

President Skold then introduced Richard McCarthy of Studio GC whose firm has actively been working with local libraries to update facilities in an effort to successfully serve the needs of today's library patron. He shared insight into the challenges facing libraries today. McCarthy shared pictures of results from updating various areas within local libraries. Of the libraries shown, the Gail Borden library in Elgin was particularly impressive. The main function of the library, McCarthy stated, is no longer just a place to check out books, but libraries are centers for community activities. He highlighted some of the functions of today's library: Continuing Education, ESL, Partnerships with schools and small business, On-line learning, etc. All of this takes space, and as he pointed out, FRVPLD has limited square footage available. McCarthy stated that he believes in order to achieve future success; libraries must focus on targeting the needs of children and teens. Libraries are about changing lives, he said, and to achieve this they must remain vital and appealing to the community they serve.

Director's Report

Director Bennett acknowledged continuing service from staff members as follows:

Five Years: Linda Kopacek, Mike Rivers, Delfina Saravia
Ten Years: Mary Povilonis, Karen Werle
Fifteen Year: Jason Katsion
Twenty Years: Kevin Polcyn
Twenty Five Years: Carolyn Friedlund

Bennett reported no updated information was available regarding LIRA at this time, and should this project not materialize, FRVPLD will have to proceed with the development of our insurance package early next year.

Consent Agenda

- Exhibit A.1 Items to be included in Consent Agenda
- A.1.a Minutes from the November 11, 2013, Truth in Taxation Hearing
 - A.1.b Minutes from November 11, 2013, Board of Trustees Meeting
 - A.1.c Accounts Payable & Payroll Deductions/Expense Checks for November, 2013, totaling \$206,017.58
 - A.1.d Revenue YTD
 - A.1.e Total Expenditures Summary YTD for District Combined
 - A.1.e.1 Expenditure Summary by Location Common
 - A.1.e.2 Expenditure Summary - Dundee Library
 - A.1.e.3 Expenditure Summary - Randall Oaks Branch
 - A.1.f Treasurer's Report for November, 2013

The Consent Agenda was read by President Skold.

Treasurer Biewald moved and Vice President Lechuga seconded that we approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Roll Call Vote: Trustee Lindholm – aye, Vice President Lechuga – aye, Treasurer Biewald – aye, Secretary Corbett – aye, Trustee Sommerlot – aye, President Skold – aye. 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Old Business

- Exhibit B.1 Mission Statement, Core Values, Board Priorities – Second Reading (attached)

Trustee Lindholm moved and Vice President Lechuga seconded that we approve Mission Statement, Core Values and Board Priorities.

Discussion:

Treasurer Biewald suggested we add the word “create” and substitute the word “connect” in place of collaborate to the Mission Statement. Board members supported proposed changes to the original motion and Trustee Lindholm amended his original motion to reflect these changes. Vice President Lechuga seconded the amended motion. Voice Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

- Exhibit B.2 Ordinance 2013-11 Annual Calendar for 2014 Fox River Valley Public Library Closings

Treasurer Biewald moved and Trustee Sommerlot seconded that we adopt Ordinance 2013-11 Annual Calendar for 2014 for Fox River Valley Public Library District Closings. Voice Vote: 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

New Business

Exhibit C.1 Annual Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Biewald moved and Secretary Corbett seconded that we approve the Annual Treasurer's Report. Discussion: It was pointed out that this report is required once a year. Roll Call Vote: Trustee Lindholm – aye, Vice President Lechuga – aye, Treasurer Biewald – aye, Secretary Corbett – aye, Trustee Sommerlot – aye, President Skold – aye. 6 ayes, 0 nays. Motion carried.

Exhibit C.2 Resolution 2013-14 to declare a Library Trustee Vacancy (attached)

Trustee Lindholm moved and Vice President Lechuga seconded that we adopt Resolution 2013-14 to declare a Library Trustee Vacancy.

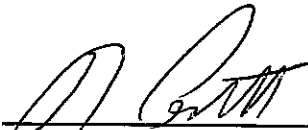
Discussion: Places to post this vacancy were discussed and in addition to recruitment by present board members, it was pointed out that the position would be posted on the library's Website and Facebook pages as well as distributed via the print newsletter & e-news. Applications for consideration should be collected and presented by March 1, 2014. Again, this appointment will be for one year. In order to maintain a level of diversity on the board, recruitment was encouraged from the Carpentersville and East Dundee locations. Particular knowledge or past experience in architecture, finance, marketing, public relations, and engineering would be welcome attributes of interested candidates.

Board Discussion

None

Adjournment

President Skold adjourned the regular meeting to executive session by unanimous vote of the board. The executive session was being called in accordance with 5 ILC 120/2 (c) (1), employment/appointment matters. The regular session was called back into session at 9:33 pm. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:35 pm.



Richard V. Corbett - Secretary