

Richland Community Library Board Minutes

August 18, 2010

Members Present: Cynthia Berg, Judy Hobson, Raenell Kent, Larry Williams

Members Absent: Chris Cupper, Jill Gould, Patrice Mindock

Others Present: Pat Crane, Kay LaPierre, Brenda Lauer

Guests: None

Call to Order: Vice-President Williams called the meeting to order at 7:17 PM.

Public Comment: None

Reviewed minutes of July 21st, 2010: The minutes were approved pending minor editorial corrections to the Friends report and under New Business, changes to section E – Computers (Hobson, Berg).

Friends of the Library Report: Pat Crane reported the Friends will be reviewing their By-laws to be approved at their annual meeting in November. They will be monitoring the responsiveness of members to being active in the Friends group.

Financial Report: Monthly disbursements for July were reviewed. Financial reports of revenues and expenses were also reviewed for the 10 months ended July 31, 2010. A motion was made to approve the financial report as presented. Motion was approved (Kent, Hobson).

Director's Report: The Lego competition was positively received with 39 entries and will likely be offered again next summer. Summer reading club ended August 13th and included Chalk the Walks, Dr. Tom's Semi-silent Theatre, a Battle of the Books, and a Gamefest video game party, as well as the annual visit from the Bubble Man. On August 12th Sue Carter led a book discussion on the book *Year of Wonders*. The Director met with Pete Graham to discuss Rotary on July 27th and with the Ransom District and Parchment library directors on August 12th. She also attended a RABA open house event at the Clocktower Green. The Director met with a representative from the Hartleb Insurance Company to discuss liability and property insurance. She supervised repairs to drywall in the Friend's area of the Library and concrete work in the "patio" area outside the children's windows.

Upcoming events include: Wednesday Wigglers beginning Sept. 8th, book discussion on *Still Alice* on September 9th, and a presentation by Sherri Snyder of Gull Lake Landscapes on September 23rd.

Committee Reports: Aesthetics Committee – The new Gifts and Memorials display book was received last week and will be displayed in the Library on the podium. A need for the Aesthetics Committee to meet regarding art display policies was discussed but no specific meeting date was set.

Old Business:

- a. New computers – Kay LaPierre reported plans to purchase computers for 4 workstations. The Southwest Michigan Library Cooperative will be funding \$1,000 for technology expenses, which will help defray the cost.

New Business:

- a. FY 2010-11 budget was adopted for August presentation to the public. The FY 2010-11 budget was presented and approved unanimously (Kent, Berg).

Adjournment: There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 PM (Kent, Berg). The next Board meeting will be September 15, 2010 at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

Raenell Kent, Treasurer Larry Williams, Vice-President