

MINUTES
DRAKE COMMUNITY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
September 23, 2015

5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Present were: _X_Ahrens _X_Britton _Esbrook _X_McClelland
_X_McNally _X_Pagliai _X_Rudolph Others present: _X_Kennett

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: McNally moved and Britton seconded the approval of the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Britton moved and Pagliai seconded the approval of August 26, 2015 regular board meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMUNICATIONS: None.

REPORT OF DIRECTOR:

1. Statistical report was reviewed, noting the continued gentle trend upward in overall circulation including a gain of 530 children's book circulations during the month of August as compared to August 2014. 24 individuals were served by the Tech Tuesday classes offered during June, July, & August. Seven additional individuals on the waiting list are being scheduled for individual consultation sessions as desired.

FINANCIAL REPORT AND APPROVAL OF BILLS: Financials were reviewed. Britton moved and Ahrens seconded the approval of bills payable in October. Motion passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Building & Grounds –

Ahrens reported on committee meeting of September 1, 2015. Committee members McClelland, Esbrook, and Ahrens were present in addition to Kennett and Building Supervisor Duane Neff. Concerns of Jim Buffum, owner of Bowladrome, Inc. were discussed. Buffum has complained to City administration that the land he sold to the City was not converted in its entirety to parking lot space. For the following reasons the committee recommends to the City of Grinnell that the surface area of the parking lot remain as is.

1. Retention of green space is important to the library and the community. Finances and labor have been invested to produce a desirable landscape in the area in question. Poweshiek Soil & Water Conservation District cost share dollars have been received with an agreement to maintain permeable paver practices. Increasing the concrete drainage area may violate that agreement.
2. Buffum has received excellent value from existing parking lot.
3. Option to Purchase agreement (2001) does not contain specifics of parking lot square footage; Spirit and intention of contract has been substantially met.

4. The transfer of deed occurred in 2008.
5. The deed supersedes the contract.

In other committee business, Ahrens reported on acceptance of handrail drawing from Co-Line Welding. The committee received notice that Dan Tindall has rescinded his offer to donate an outdoor sculpture to the Library.

Finance, Salary, and Personnel –

Britton reported that the committee of Britton, Pagliai and Rudolph will meet in two weeks regarding salary study. Kennett informed trustees of her need for medical leave in October and November.

Long Range Planning –

Policy –

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Britton moved and Pagliai seconded the recommendation of the Building & Grounds Committee to the City of Grinnell that the surface area of the parking lot remain unchanged, stating that the Board of Trustees strongly believes that the Buffum complaint has no merit. Motion passed unanimously.

McNally moved for adjournment, Rudolph seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for October , 2015 at 5:30 p.m.

Katherine McClelland, Library Board President

Date signed: Oct 28, 2015

Katherine H McClelland

Marilyn Kennett, Recording Secretary

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