

Fontana Library Board Minutes

Wednesday, June 18, 2008

approved by:
The Fontana
Public Library
Board 7/23/08

The meeting was called to order by President Murphy at 10:07 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Anne Catlow; Mary Kay Frazier; Village Representative Diane Lewis; Joseph McHugh; Genie Murphy; Mary Ann Pearce; Dolly Schneidwind and Tom Whowell

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Nancy Krei, Library Director

The May 21, 2008 minutes were unanimously approved on a McHugh/ Schneidwind motion.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Village and Gift account bills were unanimously approved on a McHugh/ Whowell motion. A CD is coming due at the bank. The interest on the new 11 month CD will be 3.03. The interest went to the gift account.

VILLAGE REPORT: Lewis and others are exploring the possibility of bringing back a high school newspaper. It would be for the community and perhaps inserted in The Walworth Times. Diane and Laura will perform at the Fontana Village Park on July 5, 2008 from 3:30 till 5:30. The Village will have a pig roast on Sat. Aug. 30 during Labor Day weekend as a fund-raiser for playground equipment.

LAKESHORES REPORT: The Director reported. (See Attached).

DIRECTORS REPORT: Three new internet computers were purchased and installed on June 11 for under \$2,500. They are placed in the front. We now have seven for public use.

The Roy Diblik presentation and book signing will be Tuesday, June 24.

The "Catch the Reading Bug" Summer Program is going well. Jodie has done a great job on the Bug program, and decorating the Library. We will give her a Sentry gift certificate in appreciation for all her hard work.

The hissing cockroaches were a big hit and may vacation for a while here, in captivity of course.

Sharon O'Brien will lead a bug walk on June 25.

The drinking fountain is often in need of repair. A new one will be gotten the next time it fails. The 5 year lease is up on the copy machine in March '09. Nancy will investigate different models and those for color. The new Brad Thor book will be released July 1. He may possibly do another book signing, if details can be worked out. It would be nice to include other local authors in some future event.

OLD BUSINESS: The Library reconfiguration project has been put on hold until fall.

NEW BUSINESS: The sink fixtures are in bad shape in the women's restroom. Nancy said that the Library needs a diaper-changing table. Motion to purchase a diaper-changing table by McHugh/Whowell passed unanimously.

The next meeting will be July 23, 2008.

The Meeting adjourned at 11:03 on a Pearce/Frazier motion.

Respectfully Submitted by Mary Ann Pearce, Secretary

DIRECTOR'S REPORT
LAKESHORES REPORT
JUNE 18, 2008

Lakeshores Report

1. I attended the LAC meeting on June 3 in Darien. There was a lengthy discussion regarding preliminary budget figures and the Symphony upgrade that took place May 24-26. The upgrade went rather well, but there were numerous problems the next week with things like the wrong information showing up in the database, and problems with the Holds List. The System did a "patch" upgrade the evening of June 4, and the problems have been minimal. At this meeting, I had asked the group to consider meeting every other month instead of every month, but it was felt that we needed to have monthly meetings.
2. Lakeshores Library System will be moving to its new location in Waterford in December. This move will involve completely shutting down the server, and telephone communication. Professional movers will be moving the majority of the office, but our techs—Jim and Peggy will be moving the main computer and servers.

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3. On Wednesday, June 11, Andy from THz3 surprised me by showing up to install the new public computers. We did some quick modifications to the furniture configurations, and the computers are "up and running". One of the monitors was the wrong size, so we used the old monitor. (The replacement just arrived). We are using one of the old computers as a spare, and for the busy summer months, we will be offering seven internet computers for the public. The reaction from our regular computer users has been very enthusiastic!
4. Roy Diblik will be here on June 24 at 6:00 p.m. After our last meeting, Sharon and I talked with Roy, and he felt that combining his book signing with a plant sale would not be feasible. So, he will be here for a brief talk, and to sign and sell copies of his book. *Roy Diblik's Small Perennial Gardens, The 'Know Maintenance' Approach.*
5. "Catch the Reading Bug" –the Summer Reading program, has begun at the Library. I want to commend Jodie for all her hard work with the decorations. She made all the flowers, that are all over the library. Margaret provided valuable assistance to Jodie in getting the decorations hung, by the magazine area. We are offering the usual sign-up for children ages 5 and older. The Teen Read is called "Metamorphosis". We "kicked off" the summer program on Monday morning, June 16, with science teacher, Heidi Hancock. She brought in ten Madagascar hissing cockroaches, and presented a brief program on insects. We had about 20 people attend. Our StoryWagon performances begin on June 24, with Bilingual Storyteller, Kay Elmsley Weeden. In July, the performances will be on July 8, 15, and 22. We are also offering Story Time for children 5 years and under on Thursdays at 10:00. This summer, Jodie will try using teen volunteers to assist with reading. When children come to the library, there are various activities for them to do. Some of these activities include: Bug Quest—(a variation of the wishing well game); Name those Books—guess the 15 books from the pieces in a jar; Incentive Game; Daily Butterfly or Moth; How many bugs in the tank; Bug Spot; and Matching Game. There will be daily activity sheets that children can complete in the library or take home. There will be craft days in July, and the "Bumble Bear" Workshop on July 10.

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5. Our very own Sharon O'Brien will be leading a Bug Walk on Wednesday, June 25 at 10:00 a.m. She will be leading the group through the Hildebrand Conservancy Trail. Let's hope for good weather! The rain date will be July 2. We have purchased bug nets so it should be a fun morning!
6. Our drinking fountain once again was having issues. It stopped working on Friday the 13. (It was still out of order, when I did the meeting agenda, but Dennis from Public Works was able to get it working yesterday). He said it is in "bad shape" and really should be replaced.
7. Our copy machine lease will be expiring in March, 2009. So, it is time to start the process. I met with a person from James Imaging (local office in Elkhorn). They carry Toshiba copiers. I would like to start getting quotes from the vendors. We have loved our Xerox, but I am interested in the best deal.
8. We had a staff meeting on June 11. Dana, our student, is back working with us, and she will be working Saturdays, and during the Story Wagon programs.
9. Meetings that I have attended included: Park Commission on May 21, CDA on June 4, and will be attending Park Commission tonight. The Evening Book Club will be discussing *Courting Kathleen Hannigan* on June 19. Mary Hutchings Reed is unable to attend, but everyone has enjoyed her book.