

**FONTANA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2011**

President Genie Murphy called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ann Catlow; Mary Kay Frazier; Genie Murphy; Mary Ann Pearce; and Tom Whowell

OTHERS PRESENT: Nancy Krei, Library Director

EXCUSED ABSENCE: Joe McHugh; Dolly Schneidwind; and Village Trustee Cindy Wilson

The minutes of the October 19, 2011 meeting were approved unanimously on a Catlow/Frazier motion.

FINANCIAL REPORT: The motion by Whowell/Catlow to accept the October Petty Cash Report and to pay the November Gift Account and Village bills was carried unanimously. A revenue item on the Petty Cash Report for DVD cleaning from the Walworth Library, led to a discussion of offering the public the opportunity to have their CDs/and DVDs cleaned. If they library were to offer this service, the charge would be \$2.00 per disc. It would also be understood that items would only be cleaned at certain times, and may have to be left at the library.

VILLAGE ANNOUNCEMENTS/2012 LIBRARY BUDGET: Nancy attended the Public Hearing for the 2012 Village Budget on November 14. It was an extremely brief meeting, and the budget that was presented at the October 17 joint meeting of the Village Board and the Finance Committee was approved. For 2012, there will not be an increase in the percentage that Village employees pay toward their health insurance premiums. However, Village employees will begin paying a percentage of their pension contributions. There was a discussion regarding the wireless network, and the possibility of eliminating the necessity of using passwords for access. Nancy will contact Jeff from Nyquist Engineering; to see if that can be accomplished. The Board also discussed computer monitoring, and other questions for Jeff.

LAKESHORES REPORT: Nancy reported on the LAC meeting and the Steering Committee meeting that she attended on November 8. Lakeshores is trying to get a grant from the Racine County Foundation to pay for a fourth Story Wagon performance for the Racine County libraries. If the grant goes through, the Walworth County libraries would also get a fourth Story Wagon at a reduced cost. Nancy gave an update on Sky River—the vendor that replaced OCLC for cataloging and bibliographic records. Lakeshores is also looking into purchasing more e-books, audios, etc. through a program called Overdrive Advantage. This would allow more copies of those materials to be available for download to anyone with a library card from a Lakeshores library. Nancy will be serving on a SHARE Governance Committee.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Nancy attended the Wisconsin Library Association Conference in Milwaukee November 1-4. She attended a Summer Reading Workshop Pre-Conference at the Milwaukee Planetarium on November 1. She also took a behind-the-scenes tour of the Milwaukee Art Museum library and learned about the services that they offer to the general public and to other libraries. Every conference program that Nancy attended was worthwhile. Nancy praised library staff—especially Jodie, for their efforts in cleaning and organizing the storeroom and other areas of the library. The Board gave special recognition to Jodie, Norma, Kathy, and Susan. Instead of holding a Holiday Open House on one day, the library will be serving coffee and refreshments from December 12 through December 22. Due to Christmas and New Year's Day being on a Sunday, the Library Board approved closing the same days as the Village Hall. Those days are: December 23 through December 26; and December 30 through January 2. The date for the Board/Staff Holiday dinner was chosen. Tom graciously offered to host the event at Gordy's Cobalt Lounge.

Motion by Catlow/Frazier to table the Library Visits report passed unanimously.

There will be no meeting in December. The next scheduled meeting date will be January 18, 2012.

Motion by Whowell/Catlow to adjourn at 11:45 a.m. carried without negative vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ann Peace, Secretary

*approved by:
Fontana Public Library Board 11/18/12*