

**FONTANA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 19, 2008**

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ann Catlow; Mary Kay Frazier; Joe McHugh; Genie Murphy; Micki O'Connell; and Tom Whowell

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mary Ann Pearce and Dolly Schneidwind

OTHERS PRESENT: Nancy Krei, Library Director

The February 27, 2008 Minutes were unanimously approved on a Whowell/McHugh motion.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion by Catlow/Whowell to approve the March Village and Gift Account bills and to accept the February Petty Cash Report. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS: The drinking fountain has been repaired and is in good working order. Craig has been negotiating with the plumber regarding the bill. Due to the efforts of Craig Workman, and Ron Adams, the library was able to get some shelving from the Video Gallery. The shelving is currently being stored in the garage next door to the library. There was discussion regarding how to obtain the paintings that George Simons would like to donate to the library. Kathy, a library staff member currently vacationing in Florida, would be willing to pick them up and bring them back to Fontana. There was extensive discussion regarding the Library Reconfiguration Project. *Margaret Reuland entered the meeting at this point.* Margaret summarized the ideas, suggestions, and concerns from the Library Staff regarding Cindy Wilson's original plans. It was suggested that Board and Staff meet at 9:00 prior to the April 16 Board meeting to further discuss staff ideas and priorities regarding the design. *Margaret left the meeting.*

VILLAGE ANNOUNCEMENTS: Everyone is encouraged to vote in the April 1 election. There is also a 3rd Avenue Referendum question on the ballot.

LAKESHORES REPORT: There will a meeting of all the automation consortium libraries (S.H.A.R.E.) on March 20. There will be a discussion of using Pay Pal to pay for fines or lost items. SIRSI/DYNIX has a new product called "*Symphony*".

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: (See attached). Nancy is looking forward to attending the Public Library Conference in Minneapolis. National Library Week is April 14-19. Activities are being planned. April 15 is National Library Worker's Day. Norma Gowlett deserves a special thank you for all her hard work on the Poetry Contest. Nancy has a quote from THz3 for three new computers. Nancy will contact THz3 to proceed with the purchase.

NEW BUSINESS: Ann presented an idea for an author book signing. She is friends with Mary Hutchings Reed, who has written a book, *The Courting of Kathleen Hannigan*. We would like to hold the event in May.

Motion by Frazier/O'Connell to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.
The next meeting date will be April 16, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Kay Frazier, Secretary Pro Tem

*Approved by the
Library Board 4/16/08*

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT
LAKESHORES REPORT
MARCH 14, 2008**

Lakeshores Report

1. The Library Directors met on March 4 in Williams Bay. A considerable amount of time was spent in philosophical discussion about the future of libraries, and what Wisconsin should do at the state-level to insure that libraries will always be viable.
2. The S.H.A.R.E. (automation consortium) meeting will be held in Waterford on Thursday, March 20. There will be a report from the committee investigating the feasibility of using Pay Pal or another similar program to pay for fines or for lost items online. Another committee has been discussing changes that need to be made to the Online Catalog to make it more "User Friendly." They have already implemented some changes in terminology—using "your library card number" instead of "user ID". More changes are being planned. SIRS/DYNIX's new product is called "Symphony". There will be an update as to when we will be upgrading (if at all) to this product. There will also be a vote taken to add an enhancement. This may involve some additional cost to the libraries.

Director's Report

3. Stephen Abram from SIRSI/DYNIX was the presenter at *Next Generation Libraries: The Social Web 2.0*—the workshop that I attended in Fort Atkinson on March 5. The session was thought provoking as well as entertaining.
4. I am registered for the Public Library Association Conference in Minneapolis next week. The Conference starts on Wednesday, March 26, and runs through Saturday, March 29. I will be sharing a room with Candy from Hustisford. I will be driving. It will be an opportunity to see vendors, meet authors, and hear "name" speakers.
5. National Library Week is April 14-19. The theme this year is "*Join the circle of knowledge @ your library!*" April 15 is also National Library Workers Day. During that week, we plan to have coffee and refreshments for the public, gift certificate drawings, and some other activities.
6. Norma has been working hard on getting the brochures ready for our Poetry Contest to be held during National Poetry Month in April. This year, since "*Catch the Reading Bug*" is the Summer Reading theme, our contest theme will be on bugs!
7. During the month of March, we are celebrating Student Art Month, and we have the works on display from Fontana Elementary School. On Monday, March 17, We also had coffee and cookies all day for St. Patrick's Day.
8. Village meetings that I have attended include: Village Board on March 4, and CDA on March 5. The Parks Commission meets this evening.