

FONTANA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25, 2011

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ann Catlow; Mary Kay Frazier; Joseph McHugh; Genie Murphy;
Mary Ann Pearce; Dolly Schneidwind; and Tom Whowell
MEMBERS EXCUSED: Village Trustee, Cindy Wilson
OTHERS PRESENT: Nancy Krei, Library Director

The minutes of the May 25, 2011 Board meeting, were unanimously approved on a Whowell/Schneidwind motion.

Financial Report: Motion by Whowell/Schneidwind to pay the June Village and Gift Account bills and to accept the May Petty Cash report. The motion was carried unanimously.

Village Report: The FWWPCC (Waste Treatment Plant) is having an Open House on June 24. Plan Commission will meet on June 27. Fontana's fabulous fireworks will be on July 4. The Finance Committee will meet on June 30, and will do budget quarterly reviews. Nancy is scheduled for 6:30 p.m.

Lakeshores Report: Nancy reported on the Librarians/Trustees Dinner held in Waterford on May 26. Lakeshores was experimenting with holding the dinner in the spring rather than in October. The event was well-attended, but wasn't as advertised. There were no small-group discussions, and everyone merely listened to a presentation, rather than having an exchange of ideas. The Lakeshores Board Chair, Royce DeBow, gave an informative talk about ways to get the library's message to the Governor, State Senators, and State Representatives. Jim Novy, from Lakeshores, was at the library on June 6 to install a new router. Nancy attended the LAC meeting on June 7. At that meeting, it was announced the Johnson Foundation at Wingspread will host an all-day workshop free-of-charge, for the Lakeshores Library System, on July 11 at the Wingspread Conference Center in Racine. The title of the workshop will be *The Power of Collaborative Library Solutions*. Lunch will also be included. The facilitator will be Stephen Abram, VP of Strategic Partnerships and Markets with Gale, Cengage. Nancy handed out a spreadsheet listing the state standards for libraries. Those standards include things such as the collection size, hours open, etc. Libraries in Walworth County must meet a number of those standards to receive their county funding. The Fontana Library has always met and even exceeded the required standards. The Wisconsin Library Association Conference will be held in Milwaukee this year. Bernie, the retired Lakeshores Director, will be the Conference Chair.

Legislative Issues: The State Budget that recently passed included some of the things that the library community wanted, such as continuing to subsidize Badgerlink, and funding for the Talking Book and Braille Library. However, keeping the Maintenance of Effort language in Chapter 43 did not pass, despite lobbying efforts on the part of the library community. It was more important to save WiscNet, the UW-Wisconsin run telecommunications network. WiscNet is vital to our library's ability to connect to Lakeshores.

Director's Report: Nancy distributed the summer reading brochure. In addition to our Storywagon performances, there will be *Make and Take a Craft* sessions, as well as *Discover Europe through Art* drawing and coloring on Friday mornings. The library has been running a Clearance Book Sale.—selling books for a quarter each, or a dollar a bag. Pascal Marco, an author who has written his first book, *Identity Lost*, will be available in the fall to do a book signing. Several years ago, Pascal met Brad Thor when he did a book signing benefit for us at Gordy's Boat House, and Brad helped him make contacts to get his book published. In the book's credits, he recognizes the Fontana Public Library, because he also wrote parts of the book at our library.

Technology update: There was a discussion about Nyquist Engineering, who will be the new IT vendor for the Village and the Library on June 30. We will no longer be using Util-IT. How this change will affect the library is unknown at this time. We are hoping for a smooth transition. Jim Novy from Lakeshores is willing to do a group order for the Gate's Grant PCs. This will be an advantage when it comes to price breaks

Old Business: Tom met with Joe about the Giving Tree. Joe is working to get everything engraved. Patrons, especially those who have not been here since last summer, seem to like the library's new furniture. The next meeting date will be July 20, 2011. **Motion by Frazier/Pearce to adjourn at 11:30 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ann Pearce, Secretary

7/20/11 approved by:
Fontana Public Library Board