

**FONTANA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, JULY 20, 2011**

President Genie Murphy called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Kay Frazier; Joseph McHugh; Genie Murphy; Mary Ann Pearce; Dolly Schneidwind; and Village Trustee Cindy Wilson (arrived at 11:00)
MEMBERS EXCUSED: Ann Catlow and Tom Whowell
OTHERS PRESENT: Nancy Krei, Library Director

The minutes of the June 22 Board meeting, were unanimously approved on a Schneidwind/McHugh motion.

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

Village Report: The Finance Committee met on June 30, and conducted Department quarterly reviews. Finance Committee Chairman Pat Kenny said the Library Budget looked good and was on target. Due to the change in the IT provider for the Village, the library's computers will no longer be monitored for free. This was not budgeted for in 2011, so there will now be additional charges to the library's technology budget. Nancy has also attended the June 20 and July 18 meetings of the Protection Committee to express her concerns about the new Concealed Carry Law, and to make sure that the library is included in any Village Ordinance prohibiting weapons from being brought into Village-owned buildings.

Technology Update: Jim Novy, from Lakeshores, was able to get three computers for our library to satisfy the Gates Grant requirements. He was able to get them for a reasonable price through a group purchase. Discussion was held regarding whether to have Jim install the computers at our library, or to have the new IT person—Jeff Miskie—install them. It was the consensus of the Board to ask Jeff to do the installation, since he has the contract with the Village.

Lakeshores Report: There was no LAC meeting in July. Nancy attended *The Power of Collaborative Library Solutions* workshop on July 11 at the Johnson Foundation at Wingspread in Racine. This was an all-day workshop. The facilitator was Stephen Abram—VP of Strategic Partnerships and Markets for Gale, Cengage. Participants in the workshop included the Lakeshores System staff, library directors, directors of the adjacent library systems, and others who have key roles within the Division for Library Services at the state level. Stephen's presentation was excellent, and took most of the morning. In the afternoon, key issues affecting libraries were identified during a brainstorming session. A committee was formed to study those issues, and see if they can be adopted at the Lakeshores System level. By 2010, libraries in Walworth County had to meet certain standards in order to receive their county funding. The Fontana Library has met and exceeded the standards each year. The standards are based on State Standards, and are also based on service population. Due to the fact that the East Troy Library did not meet the standards for collection size, their county funding will be reduced until they meet the requirements. The Walworth County Library Planning Committee will be meeting to review the standards. There will be a new enhancement to the online catalog, and searching for materials should be easier. This is still in the testing stage, and date has not been set to offer this to the public.

Director's Report: Nancy gave an update on the summer reading program. Jodie has done good job arranging activities. An additional program has been added. Mary Carroll Donohoe, who works for the National Geographic Society, will be giving a slide presentation on July 25. Dolly would like to see the library offer computer classes in the fall. A patron survey will help us assess their needs/skill level.

The next meeting date will be August 17, 2011. **Motion by Frazier/McHugh to adjourn at 11:40 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Ann Pearce, Secretary

Approved by:
Fontana Public Library Board
8/17/11