

MINUTES OF THE LIBRARY BOARD

September 24, 2014 Meeting

Conference Room-West Allis Public Library
7421 W National Avenue

Mrs. Mikolajewski called the September 24, 2014 Library Board meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mr. Fischer-Toerpe, Mrs. Karrels, Mrs. Mikolajewski, Alderperson Probst,
Mr.Thomson, Ms. Wadewitz, Ms. Wenzel

Excused: Ms. Johns-Konkol, Ms. Suelzer

Staff present: Michael Koszalka, Library Director
Lisa VandenBoom, Librarian II

Approval of Minutes

Ms. Wenzel moved to accept the minutes of the August 27, 2014 meeting as received. Second by Ms. Wadewitz. Motion carried.

Statements by Citizens

None.

Correspondence

None.

(Mr. Fischer-Toerpe present at this point)

Reports- Claims and Finance

The Board reviewed the September Claims and Finance Report. Alderperson Probst moved to accept the report as presented, including approval of claim numbers 4261 to 4296 for \$128,746.72. Second by Ms. Wadewitz. Motion carried.

Old Business

1.Library 2015 Operating Budget

Mr. Koszalka reported that there is a city budget shortfall of \$2.4 million. It is unknown at this time how the library budget will be affected.

New Business

1. MCFLS Update

Mr. Koszalka met with Bruce Gay, Director of the Milwaukee County Federated Library System on September 17th. He gave Mr. Gay a tour of our building and expressed his

concern about the next system member agreement, reciprocal borrowing, and the makeup of the MCFLS board.

Bob Pfeiffer, South Milwaukee Public Library Director, is retiring on October 31st.

2. Revised Individual and Group Study Room Policy/Typewriter Policy

The changes to the Individual and Group Study Room/Typewriter Policy were discussed. A library card is no longer required to use the Word Processing Rooms. Ms. Wadewitz moved to accept the updated policy. Second by Mr. Fischer-Toerpe. Motion carried.

3. Review of progress made in the library's 2013-2015 Strategic Plan

Mr. Koszalka reviewed the strategic plan with the Library Board. Many of the initiatives have been accomplished though there is still more work to do.

4. Trustee Essentials, Chapter 21-The Library Board and Accessible Services

The Board reviewed key elements in this chapter.

Director's Report

None.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Fischer-Toerpe moved to adjourn. Second by Ms. Wadewitz. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Karrels, Secretary