

## ONEIDA COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD

Unapproved minutes of meeting of June 11, 2009

**CALL TO ORDER:** A regular meeting of the Oneida County Library Board was called to order by resident Elmer Goetsch at 1:32 p.m. in Committee Room 1 of the Oneida County courthouse. The meeting was properly noticed and located according to law.

Present were OCLB members Elmer Goetsch, Larry Greschner, Jan Baer, Romelle Vandervest (1:45 p.m.) and Marlene Kerkes. Also present were directors Janet Dixon (EUDML) and Ed Hughes (RDL) and EUDML/WVLS board member Vicki Reuling. Board members Mary Schoeneck and Diana Blicharz and director Mary Taylor (MPL) were absent.

**APPROVE AGENDA:** Motion by Greschner, seconded by Kerkes to approve the agenda as presented. All voted aye. Motion carried.

**APPROVE MINUTES:** Motion by Greschner, seconded by Baer to approve the minutes of the April 9, 2009 meeting as presented. All voted aye. Motion carried.

### REPORTS:

#### Minocqua Public Library:

A written report from MPL director Mary Taylor was presented. Taylor reported circulation through May 31, 2009 totaled 61,140 items, a 4 %increase over last year. Internet and wireless access is also in great demand.

The contract with the Town of Arbor Vitae continues to go through minor revisions.

The library building committee is finishing the recommendation for building expansion, which will be presented to the Town of Minocqua Board of Supervisors later this month.

Hosted the V-Cat Council on June 4. The group that is investigating a new circulation system (Migration Committee) held their meeting immediately following. Currently, members of that committee are visiting libraries in the state to evaluate various circulation systems.

Summer programming for all ages is underway. Special guests next week are magician Bruce Hetzler (06-16-2009); and Mary Schueller, author of *Soldiers of Poverty: a Tribute to the Men of the Civilian Conservation Corps* (06-17-2009). A complete list of programs is available on the web site.

Library book clubs continue to be popular: MPL has two adult groups, a teen group and a new group for kids in grades 5 through 8.

#### Rhineland District Library:

Director Ed Hughes activities included having met with the MPL and EUDML library directors to share ideas; plans to attend the first meeting of Strategic Planning Group set for June 22 and July 1; attended State Superintendent's Advisory Council on Rural Schools, Libraries and Communities with Libby Burmaster facilitating; met Representative Steve Kagen at his presentation on May 26; Learning statistical reports in Horizon; Merrill Public Library Director Stacy Stevens reported that they will be moving to some Sunday hours.

Local architects looking at front entrance to RDL. They will give an estimate for creating a design and an estimate of construction costs. Getting more estimates for repair of concrete steps on back entrance.

The percentage increase in total circulation for the month of May compared to last year is up by 18.3%. Double digit increases have been the pattern for the last four months.

#### E. U. Demmer Library, Three Lakes:

The library and Three Lakes Chamber of Commerce are sponsoring recycling of electronic equipment/devices at the Three Lakes High School parking lot on August 29, 10:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. Reasonable fees charged. No items are sent to landfills in this or other counties.

Initial evaluation of the library computer system by One Prospect of Rhineland. Would like to begin an update of staff computers. Continuing the featured books and web sites on Job Hunting and Resumes. Channel 12 is including the resources in a segment with local author Susan Guanerri.

Upcoming programs include Summer Reading (June 15-July 24); Elma Shaw, author of *Redemption Road*, July 1, 2009 at 6 p.m; *Trees for Tomorrow Bears*, August 19 at 6:30 p.m.

Last night for the program on *Going Green* on windmills and solar panels drew an audience of 28. Very successful, presented by local residents Tom Bredeson and Tom Rulseh  
**WVLS:**

Board member Vicki Reuling reported Patti Curthoy, technological person, is employed by WVLS; Inese Christman moved into the position of V Cat Administrator; looking for another person for Network Administrator; libraries migrating security from Symantic to Trend Micro; meeting electronically every other month; agreed extra cash for systems would be picked up by WVLS; migrating to new library system put off probably late 2010 or 2011.

**Legislative:**

Kris Adams Wendt's Library Legislative Report received for May and June indicate 5% reductions to funding for public library systems, the library service contracts and periodical and Newslite for the Blind.

**COMMUNICATIONS:** The following requests for reimbursement were received

Crandon	\$ 535.78
Tomahawk	39,506.00
Boulder Junction	30.00
Antigo	2,688.84
Merrill	1,384.10

**BUDGET REVIEW:** Large expenditures paid; small amounts for travel for the MPL and EUDML directors are expected.

**APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS AND TRANSFERS:**

- a. No line item transfers
- b. **Motion by Vandervest, seconded by Baer to approve payment of voucher for EUDML director's mileage.** All voted aye. Motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- a. Wideband library service: EUDML upgraded from 1.5 to 3. Director Dixon wasn't sure they've seen any change.
- b. County Library System: John Potter was not present.
- c. Review/revise Plan of Service: **Motion by Vandervest, seconded by Greschner to amend the last sentence under "Automation Support" to: In the 2008 allocation formula, the amount for a replacement workstation and its maintenance shall be \$1,200 with the average annual cost over a projected three year life span equal to \$400.** All voted aye. Motion carried.

**Motion by Greschner, seconded by Baer to correct Greschner's address to 9683 Wayne Drive.** All voted aye. Motion carried.

**Motion by Greschner, seconded by Baer to approve as amended the Plan of Service - 2009-2012 including revision of Appendix B, Part A.** All voted aye. Motion carried.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** James Lillis, WEPG Net a private news and information acquisition service provider was present. Mr. Lillis is presently contracting with citizens and city governments to provide them with PEG content in Wisconsin public, educational and government news through radio, television and internet channels. Mr. Lillis was asked to provide a more specific, written proposal for the board to consider.

Vicki Reuling spoke relative to the approximate \$39,000 payment to the Tomahawk Library. Vicki feels Library Director Mary Dunn does a good job and the library services a large section of Oneida County.

**SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING:** The next meeting will be held on Thursday, August 13, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, President Goetsch declared the meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

Marlene Kerkes, Vice President  
June 16, 2009