

ONEIDA COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD

Unapproved minutes of meeting of
January 14, 2010

CALL TO ORDER: A regular meeting of the Oneida County Library Board was called to order by president 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, Janet Baer, Marlene Kerkes, Diana Blicharz, Mary Schoeneck, Romelle Vandervest and Larry Greschner. Also present were directors Janet Dixon (EUDML), Ed Hughes (RDL), Mary Taylor (MPL), EUDML/WVLS board member Vicki Reuling and RDL employee Brita Sauer.

APPROVE AGENDA: Motion by Baer, seconded by Kerkes to approve the agenda as posted. All voted aye. Motion carried.

APPROVE MINUTES: Motion by Baer, seconded by Schoeneck to approve as printed, the minutes of the October 8, 2009 meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried.

REPORTS:

Minocqua Public Library: MPL director Mary Taylor informed all that the referendum for the renovation/expansion of the library was passed by the electorate. The first meeting of the newly appointed Public Library Expansion Oversight Committee will be held tonight.

The Holiday program in December included movies and projects directed by the Paper Studio. Open house and a book sale by Friends of the Library was held. The book sale netted \$700. Circulation is up to 157,000.

Rhineland District Library: Director Ed Hughes reported (1) the "Holiday Fine Forgiveness" program set-up is complete. (2) RDL's outreach to seniors through the Oneida County Department on Aging and their meals-on-wheels was recognized by American Libraries and an Ohio library is interested in setting up a similar program. (3) The District is up about 6% for the year. (4) New wireless installed that involves the whole building. (5) Introduced new RDL employee, Brita Sauer.

Demmer Memorial Library: Director Janet Dixon reported (1) the library board is seeking new member to fill one vacancy; (2) Patrons being informed of upcoming system upgrade to take place on January 25-29; (3) Data is being assembled for the required Annual Report; (4) A Demmer Library Building Committee was formed to look at space needs, current assets and physical aspects of the library; (5) The lift project is proceeding with oversight by the USDA, which provided a grant of \$17,500 in stimulus funds. The project is to start on March 1 and anticipated completion date is July 1; (6) National Library Week in April will include traveling exhibit on the Rainforest; (7) The library is offering a Milwaukee Bucks reading promotion to youth in grades 3-10; and, (8) A library sponsored School Board candidates' forum is being planned for March.

Legislative: No report.

WVLS: WVLS meeting will be held Saturday, January 16, 2010. Technology issues will be discussed. Jan Baer said she was very thankful and very much enjoys the beautiful brass clock she'd received from WVLS for her 21 years of service on the WVLS Board.

FINANCE AND BUDGET:

There were no line item transfers at this time. Travel vouchers for Mary Taylor and Janet Dixon were approved by **motion by Schoeneck, seconded by Kerkes**. All voted aye. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Wideband Library Service: As of January, 2010 all public libraries can get 3 Mbps BadgerNet circuit for \$100/month and up to 100 Mbps circuit for only \$250/month. It's possible to get more at discount if one maximizes.

County Library System: In his e-mail (01/12/10) to Mr. Hughes, Mike Cross, Director, Public Library Development Team, indicated his recollection of the discussion at the last Library Development and Registration meeting was that a legislative solution be sought

requiring reimbursement for reciprocal borrowing, but added that he thought it would be very difficult to achieve. Also, another partial solution may be to seek a change in the statutes making it impermissible for counties to participate in any new joint library or placing certain new standards on any new joint libraries.

NEW BUSINESS:

Appointments to OCLB: Motion by Greschner, second by Vandervest that all current officers be reelected to serve until January 2011. All voted aye. Motion carried. Officers are Elmer Goetsch, president; Marlene Kerkes, vice-president and recording secretary; Janet Baer, financial secretary.

NEXT MEETING: OCLB members will meet on Thursday, February 11, 2010 at 11:00 a.m. in Committee Room 1.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, President Goetsch declared the meeting adjourned at 2:28 p.m.

Marlene Kerkes, Vice President
January 20, 2010