

Lester Public Library  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
Community Room of the Lester Public Library  
Tuesday, August 12, 2008  
7:00 PM

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President Patrick Gagnon called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Members Present: Patrick Gagnon, Rick Henrickson (7:11), Joyce Beth, Robert P. Fay, Terry Schumacher, Kirsten Miller, Sharon Stone & Teri Wagner. Absent & Excused: Brenda Krause & Jay Orvis. Also Present: Director Jeff Dawson, Adult Services Coordinator Chris Hamburg & Elaine Steckler.

Public Comment: None.

Approval of July Meeting Minutes: Moved by Joyce Beth, seconded by Terry Schumacher to approve July minutes. Voice vote carried unanimously.

Expenditures & Financial Reports: Moved by Robert Fay, seconded by Teri Wagner to approve June financial reports. Voice vote carried unanimously.

Committee Reports – Director Dawson reported the Ad-Hoc Investment Committee recommended using 2 firms, Edward Jones and Benefits Inc. Both firms to receive \$400,000, invested in 1/3 individually managed by each firm and 2/3 invested in a managed fund of the firms choosing, with an annual progress report and re-evaluation after three years.

Moved by Teri Wagner, seconded by Kirsten Miller to approve Dawson's recommendation transferring \$800,000 of gift monies to Edward Jones & Benefits, Inc. Voice vote carried unanimously.

Director's Report: The library is in receipt of \$8,318.43 from the DeSwarte Trust. The Lester Bentley paintings are on display throughout the Library. These paintings are on loan from the Historical Society until a permanent home can be found for them. A Public Service Announcement has been distributed to local TV stations on behalf of the Lester Public Library. Manitowoc Calumet Library System approved language to present August 25<sup>th</sup> to the Manitowoc Public Library on by-laws and administrative issues. These changes will bring the system into compliance. Dawson distributed a questionnaire from the Department of Public Instruction to board members. Director Dawson requested the forms be returned to him no later than August 22<sup>nd</sup> so that he may compile the results and return by September 5<sup>th</sup>. Barrette Asphalt was replaced by the County for the asphaltting part of the parking lot project. The new maintenance shed is up and electric work is complete. Jeff distributed personal portraits of members to view. These photos will be posted on Flickr and the Library Websites.

City Council Report – None.

School District Report – None.

County Board Report – Mr. Henrickson commended Dawson on the booth the Library sponsored for Community Days.

New Business – Mr. Dawson requested gift funds to purchase 2 wooden book carts for the adult areas and 3 colorful metal carts for the children's area. These carts will sit at the end of the isles for patrons who choose not to check a book out.

Moved by Rick Henrickson, second by Terry Schumacher authorizing the purchase of 5 book carts with gift money in the amount of \$2,495.00. Voice vote carried unanimously.

Teri Wagner requested that discussion of funding for a staff holiday party be added to the agenda for September.

Trustee Education – Chris Hamburg walked the board members through the functions of the online catalog.

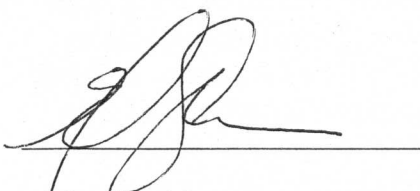
Closed Executive Session – The Library Board of Trustees reserves the right to enter into Closed Session, per Wisconsin Statutes s. 19.85(1)(c) which allows closed sessions when the employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee under the jurisdiction of the particular government body is being considered.

-- Discuss union negotiations.

None. Meeting remained open with no contract negotiations discussion.

Move for adjournment by Henrickson, second by Fay. Meeting adjourned 8:16 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'ES', written over a horizontal line.

Elaine Steckler  
Recording Secretary