

**MINUTES OF THE EVERGREEN PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday, April 14, 2010
7:00 PM Library Lower Level**

1. President Kelly Burke called the meeting to order at 7:07 pm. Present were Vice President Eugene Tabour, Treasurer Elizabeth Topa, and Trustee Ruth Hansen. Secretary Kim Shine, Trustee Ruth McDonald, and Trustee Deborah Pearson were absent with notification. Library Director Nicki Seidl was also present.
2. Elizabeth Topa motioned to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 10, 2010, seconded by Eugene Tabour. The motion passed unanimously.
3. The Treasurer's Report was presented by Nicki Seidl. A motion was presented by Elizabeth Topa, seconded by Eugene Tabour to file the Treasurer's Report for audit. Eugene Tabour motioned and Ruth Hansen to approve the list of bills payable for April 2010. Both motions made during the Treasurer's Report passed unanimously.
4. **Public Participation:**
 - None
5. **Librarian's Report:**
 - Karen Siwak, a part-time Children's Librarian, will be leaving as of May 31. Anna Wassanaar-Mulchrone will be filling in those hours, at least during the summer.
 - SWAN is taking steps to become its own legal entity. This will take an intergovernmental agreement between the SWAN member libraries. Jim Casey, Director of Oak Lawn Public Library, serves on the committee formed to study the situation and has advised this action should be concluded within several months, and will occur whether or not library systems survive the current state financial crisis. The additional financial burden to the member libraries has yet to be determined.
 - A Carrier representative, at the request of PSA-Dewberry, is coming on Thursday, April 15, to investigate the burn marks on the Premier Link controllers and the cooling issues in the public meeting room.
 - Ledalite made good on their promise to replace the additional yellowing light lenses. The library replaced five lenses, and has an additional 5 in case more lenses are affected in the future.
 - There was a quick refusal on the grant submitted to Vectren Corporation to fund summer reading activities. Vectren wished the library well, but will not fund grants outside of its service area. This is not stated on their web site, but we are not in a position to argue.
 - There is a \$500,000 appropriation through the Institute of Museum and Library Services listed on Congressman Bobby Rush's web site for the Metropolitan Library System to fund services for the thirteen public libraries in District 1. Evergreen Park Library will benefit if the funding materializes.
 - The annual "Library Day" in Springfield has been suspended this year, in favor of library representatives meeting locally with their legislators. The librarians in "Zone 5" of the Metropolitan Library System: Alsip, Chicago Ridge, Evergreen Park, Green Hills, Hometown, Oak Lawn, Burbank, and Worth are meeting with legislators for breakfast at Whitney's on Monday, April 19.
 - Registration for the "Grow Smart" Garden Festival that the library is hosting with the MHR Garden Club on Sunday, April 18 is off to a slow start. Registration for Jeffrey Zaslow on Friday, April 23 could be stronger.
 - Governor Quinn signed a pension reform bill into law on April 14 that affects new participants of IMRF, TRS, and SURS.

5. Old Business:

- There was nothing outstanding at this time.

6. New Business:

- The library board postponed authorization to proceed with Unique Management Collection Agency Services pending clarification of 1) how much of dollar amount recovered was cash, and how much was materials 2) what is the length of a contract
- Eugene Tabour motioned, and Elizabeth Topa seconded to approve the 2010 Landscaping Maintenance Agreement with Tandem Landscaping. The motion passed unanimously.
- The bylaws of the neighboring library boards were examined as part of a review of Evergreen Park Public Library Board bylaws, in compliance with Chapter 1, Core Standards 7, of "Serving Our Public: Standards for Illinois Public Libraries". Trustees will discuss any revisions, corrections or updates to their bylaws as a result of the review at the next meeting.
- Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Metropolitan Library System and accompanying Resolution for participation in the "Research Pro" group database purchase was postponed until the next meeting, as the final purchase price will be determined on May 3.
- Ruth Hansen motioned, and Elizabeth Topa seconded to approve the submittal of the Evergreen Park Public Library Annual Report to the Illinois State Library. The motion passed unanimously.
- Library Director Nicki Seidl required more time to gather examples of lost or damaged materials policies to develop the Evergreen Park Public Library policy, so approval was postponed until the next meeting.
- Kelly Burke distributed notes from the April 12 meeting of the library's "Green Committee", which includes staff members Mary Elzinga and Chris Raap, along with Evergreen Park resident and Environmental Commission member Helen Cuprisin. Many environmentally conscientious action steps were detailed in the report, which included a timeframe and the person responsible for the activity. The committee will develop a mission statement or vision in order to present a plan that conforms to the Green Governments Illinois Act [20 ILCS 3954]. These minutes are typed in Calibri, to save toner.

7. Adjournment:

At 8:40 a motion to adjourn was presented by Trustee Ruth Hansen and seconded by Trustee Elizabeth Topa. This suggestion was unanimously agreed to. The next month's regularly scheduled meeting will take place on May 12.

Respectfully Submitted,



Nicki Seidl

Secretary Pro Tem