



August 19, 2013

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Reading Public Library was held today at 4:00 PM at outeast Branch Library located at 1426 Perkiomen Ave., Reading, PA, Renee Dietrich, President, presiding.

Present: Renee Dietrich, Heather Hanna, Stephanie Towles, Paul Hoh, Greg Knies, Jonathan Zeigler, Robin Costenbader-Jacobson, Frank Kasprowicz, Ernie Schlegel, Henriette Alban, and Justin Bodor.

Absent: Ryan Breisch, Johanny Cepeda excused.

Guests: William Roberts, Denise Stitcha, Kate Thornton

Public Comment: None

Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes from June and July by Paul Hoh, seconded by Henriette Alban. Approved.

Treasurer's Report: Motion to accept the Treasurer's report for June and July by Jonathan Zeigler, seconded by Heather Hanna. Accepted.

Director's Report: Copies of the Director's Report were made available along with additional handouts. Frank Kasprowicz spoke about the status of the bookmobile and putting on eBay. Senior Outreach recorded their highest circulation number in July.

Library Services: Stephanie Towles spoke about the changes to current lending policies, material check out limits and new welcome cards. Motion made by Stephanie Towles to adopt the policy as written (copy attached) with the change of add "welcome" library cardholders under the heading of How long your library card lasts. Seconded by Ernie Schlegel. Approved.

Motion by Heather Hanna to enter executive session, seconded by Henriette Alban.

Entered Executive session at 4:40

Motion by Heather Hanna to exit executive session, seconded by Ernie Schlegel.

Exited Executive session at 5:10

Facilities: Report given by Henriette Alban. A location has been secured for the PopUp Library as well as dead storage and movers. The library will close on August 22 and reopen at the PopUp site on September 3. The branches will extend their hours by opening one additional day during the week.

Renovations: Motion made by Jonathan Zeigler, seconded by Paul Hoh to ratify and approve the lease at 645 Penn Street for the PopUp library and the Turner Building for dead storage. Approved

Motion made by heather Hanna and seconded by Stephanie Towles to ratify and approve the standard short form agreement between RPL and Burkey Construction regarding the electrical work, contract subject to Directors plan approval. Approved.

Motion made by Henriette Alban and Heather Hanna to ratify and approve the contract with L&J Transportation for the moving of materials to the PopUp library and dead storage. Approved.

Motion made by Paul Hoh and seconded by Stephanie Towles expressing appreciation to those that made it possible for us to get to this point with the move. Agreed.

Finance: Committee to begin working on 2014 budget with Frank Kasprovicz and Vicky Fuller.

Personnel: No Report.

Development: Handouts provided by Kate Thornton. The Greater Reading Young Professionals granted RPL a grant for \$6500 towards the MindPop adult education program. Upcoming events to include the cocktail party at the Reading Museum on September 18th and the ChipKid lecture at the Miller Center on October 17th.

Strategic Planning: No Report

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: Robin Costenbader-Jacobson provided a handout from Genesius Theatre regarding taking part in the attempt to set the World Record for the most people in a Chorus Line. Company teams and non profit organizations are encouraged to participate. Denise Sticha from BCPL shared that the Book Bonanza raised close to \$65,000.

Motion to adjourn by Ernie Schlegel, seconded by Paul Hoh. Approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Towles
Vice President