



March 17, 2014

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Reading Public Library was held today at 4:30 PM at 113 S. 4th Street, Reading, PA, Stephanie Towles, Vice President, presiding.

Present: Heather Hanna, Henriette Alban, Greg Knies, Johanny Cepeda, Frank Kasprowicz, Stephanie Towles, Toni Albert, Paul Hoh, Colin Waszkiewicz.

Absent: Renee Dietrich, Justin Bodor, Sandy Stief, Jim Shankweiler. All excused.

Guests: Kate Thornton, Denise Sticha, Ernie Schlegel.

Public Comment: Ernie Schlegel thanked the board for allowing him to serve. Stephanie Towles and the board, with regret, accepted Ernie's resignation.

Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes made Heather Hanna, seconded by Henriette Alban. Approved.

Treasurer's Report: Motion to accept the February Treasurer's Report made by Paul Hoh, seconded by Toni Albert. Accepted

Director's Report: Copies of the Director's Report were made available along with additional handout. Frank Kasprowicz spoke about the Fire Marshal's findings and compliance thereof. The bookmobile was sold at auction. The ice was removed from the parking lots at Northeast and Southeast. The library is planning to expand it's eCollection with both eAudio and eVideo materials.

Library Services: Report given by Stephanie Towles. The committee met and discussed policies with Charter School and partnerships with Heath Services. The next meeting is March 27 at 4:30 at the Main Library.

Facilities: Report given by Henriette Alban. Items on the punch list are being addressed. The parking lots at the branches are going to need repair due to the harsh winter season. Henriette spoke about the parapet (decorative element) on the Franklin Street side crumbling off the buiding.

Finance: Report given by Toni Albert. The Investment Policy was previously sent via email for review. Motion made by Toni Albert to accept the Investment Policy. Seconded by Paul Hoh. Accepted.

Personnel: No Report

Development: Report given by Kate Thornton. Cocktails and Classics is this Friday at Goggleworks. We are partnering with Berks Community Health Center to bring health related programs to Main and the Branches. Text RPL was launched March 3. The El Palo magazine featured our review of the book "The Help". Our new website is scheduled to launch in June.

Strategic Planning: No Report

By-Laws: No Report

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

Motion to adjourn by Johanny Cepeda, seconded by Toni Albert. Approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Johanny Cepeda 6/23/14