

BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING
MINUTES
September 19, 2013

A regular monthly meeting of the Racine Public Library Board of Trustees was held on September 19, 2013, at 4:30 PM at the Racine Public Library in the Emily Lee Room.

Board members Jane Barbian, Carole Johnson, Luisa Morales, Dwayne Olsen, Sandra Riekoff, Theron Snell, Chris Terry and Michele Woods were present. Board members Melissa Kaprelian-Becker, Jerry Maller, and Douglas Miller were excused. Library Director Jessica MacPhail and Business Manager Dan Schultz were also present. Staff members Mary Horn, Anita Liebern and David Dorn (AFSCME Council 40) were also present.

President Theron Snell called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM.

Public Comment

David Dorn spoke about involving employees in the draft RPL Employee Handbook process, and on the new position of Digital Services and Innovation Coordinator.

Melissa Donaldson presented information about the fall programs. It was suggested that the program booklet be emailed to City Council members and to teachers.

Action Items

It was moved by Ms. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Olsen that the 2014 budget be approved.
Motion carried.

It was moved by Ms. Johnson and seconded by Mr. Olsen that the application for the 2014 Early Literacy LSTA grant, in partnership with the Racine Literacy Council, for \$12,300 be approved.
Motion carried.

President Snell appointed the following members to the Finance and Personnel Committee: Jerry Maller, Jane Barbian, Luisa Morales and Doug Miller. A meeting date will be set and a chair will be chosen at that meeting.

Consent Agenda

1. It was moved by Ms. Riekoff and seconded by Ms. Johnson that the following items be approved:
 - a. The minutes of the board meeting on August 15, 2013
 - b. Personnel Report:
 - i. Retirement full-time: John Dey

- c. Approval of the financial reports for the past month
- d. The vouchers and credit card purchases of the past month
- e. Library Director's Report
- f. Dashboard Report

Motion carried.

Old Business

Ms. MacPhail reported on the LLS and MWFLS merge discussions. A meeting was held at Wingspread on September 12, 2013 and presentations were made by John DeBacher of DPI, and by the directors of two library systems who had discussed merging, David Weinhold of Outagamie Waupaca Library System and Rebecca Peterson of Manitowoc Calument Library System. In the afternoon, the two-system merge committee met at the Racine Public Library and came to agreement on several recommendations to consider in further discussions. Mr. Olsen reported on further action by the Lakeshores Library System to postpone action on hiring a new system director until their November meeting.

Items for the Next Agenda

1. RPL Employee Handbook
2. Overdue fines for children

Having no further business to conduct, the meeting adjourned at 5:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica MacPhail
Library Director