

COLUMBIA COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Poynette Library
May 7, 2010

Board Members Present: Gisela Hamm, Susan Martin, Heidi Schmidt, Pat Westby and Carol Ziehmke

Absent: Andy Ross

South Central Library System Representative: Cheryl Becker

Library Directors Present:

- Portage Shannon Stiller – County Resource Library
- Poynette Kris Daugherty

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. by Board president Carol Ziehmke.

Agenda: There were no changes to the agenda, and Pat Westby moved that the agenda be approved as presented. Heidi Schmidt seconded the motion, and it was passed unanimously. The meeting had also been properly noticed.

Minutes: The minutes of the March 5, 2010 County Library Board meeting were approved unanimously as presented upon the motion of Gisela Hamm and Pat Westby's second.

Columbia County Library Board Appointment: Three names were presented to the Board to consider replacing Bev Hoffmann who resigned in March. Background information was presented on each of the three nominees: Jane Considine, Judy Eulberg and Margo Miller. Gisela Hamm moved that Judy Eulberg be recommended to the County Board for appointment to the Columbia County Library Board; Pat Westby seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Library Advocate(s) of the Year:

A discussion on the form that the recognition should take was held. Pat Westby volunteered her husband's woodworking talents to create an award that would be in keeping with the book/library theme. The date of its presentation to the recipient(s) will be determined at the July meeting of this Board.

Long-Range Plan Appointments: Heidi Schmidt moved that the Columbia county Board appoint Kris Daugherty, Shannon Stiller, Pat Westby and Carol Ziehmke to the Long Range Plan Committee. Sue Martin seconded the motion, and it passed without dissent.

Resource Librarian's Report: Shannon's report included the appointment to the County Library Board, the appointments to the Long Range Plan as well as an up-date on Tutor.Com. At its March meeting the County Library Board had encouraged the Resource Librarian to review and gain an understanding of this on-line resource that

provides one-on-one learning solutions for students of all ages. Tutor.com provides students with help on homework and special projects, as well as study tips and test prep. It also provides a SkillsCenter Resource Library to aid job seekers. A Webinar demonstration of Tutor.com was presented for the County library directors on April 7, and it was enthusiastically received. The application will be available to all County library cardholders at home or in their local libraries. Based on Shannon's report and the library directors' reaction to the program, Gisela Hamm moved that the Resource Librarian purchase a one-year subscription to Tutor.com, using the money allocated by the County for the resource library. Heidi Schmidt seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously

SCLS Report: Cheryl Becker, representing the South Central Library System, reported on a number of items:

- Cheryl volunteered to provide a list of the Columbia County library directors, their e-mail addresses and the dates of their Board meetings. Her offer was eagerly accepted!
- She announced that the SCLS all-directors meeting will be held on May 27 in Sun Prairie.
- The 2010 System Celebration will be at the Wintergreen Resort in Wisconsin Dells on September 21.
- The WLA Fall Conference will be at the Kalahari in the Dells November 2-5.
- The SCLS Fall Conference (formerly known as the "Annual Meeting") will be held on October 21 in Madison.
- The information on the amounts due to libraries in adjacent counties is due on July 1. (The information on amounts due to Columbia County libraries from adjacent counties is also due at that time).
- A farewell reception for retiring SCLS Director Phyllis Davis is being held on June 4th at the SCLS headquarters in Madison.

Library Visits:

Gisela Hamm reported on the plans for an addition to the Kilbourn Library in Wisconsin Dells. Pat Westby and Carol Ziehmke both attended the Five Year Anniversary celebration/open house at the Wyocena Library. Carol Ziehmke attended the Pardeeville Library Board meeting, and she also serves on that library's Endowment Board. She feels it important that the two Boards determine and agree on the responsibilities of the two Boards. Sue Martin dropped in at the Poynette Library on her way home from a SCLS meeting and was complimentary of the library director who recognized her even though her visit was unexpected and unplanned.

Next meeting: The next meeting of the Columbia County Library Board will be on July 9, 2010 at the Rio Library. President Ziehmke will contact the library to make the arrangements.

Adjournment: Upon the motion of Pat Westby and a second by Sue Martin, the meeting was adjourned at 10:52 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Susan Martin, Secretary