

COLUMBIA COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Lodi Women's Club Public Library
Lodi, Wisconsin

January 8, 2010

Board Members in Attendance: Beverly Hoffmann, Susan Martin, Andy Ross, Pat Westby and Carol Ziehmke

Board Members Absent: Gisela Hamm, Heidi Schmidt

Librarians in Attendance:

Kris Daugherty	Poynette
Mary Friesen	Wyocena
Kristine Millard	Lodi
Trisha Priewe	Lodi
Shannon Stiller	Portage
Gary Yurgil	Pardeeville

SCLS Representative: None

President Carol Ziehmke called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. The meeting was properly noticed.

Agenda: There were no additions or changes to the agenda, and Andy Ross moved that the agenda be approved as presented; second by Pat Westby. The motion was approved without dissent.

Minutes: Pat Westby moved that the minutes of the Board's October 2, 2009 meeting be approved as typed; the motion was seconded by Bev Hoffmann. The motion was passed unanimously.

Carol Ziehmke introduced the new Resource librarian/Portage Library Director Shannon Stiller. She provided the group with her background and experience, and all those in attendance introduced themselves.

Election of Officers: Sue Martin nominated Carol Ziehmke to continue as Board President; that motion was seconded by Pat Westby. There being no further nominations, the motion was unanimously approved. Bev Hoffmann stated that she would prefer to not serve another term as the vice-president, and Sue Martin nominated Andy Ross; that nomination was seconded by Bev Hoffmann, and was unanimously approved. Andy Ross nominated Sue Martin to serve as Secretary, and Pat Westby seconded the

nomination. There being no further nominations, the vote was unanimous. The Columbia County Library Board Officers for 2010 are:

Carol Ziehmke	President
Andy Ross	Vice-President
Sue Martin	Secretary

Annual Report to the state / SCLS Evaluation: Since the SCLS was not represented at the meeting and its representative had not discussed the evaluation with the new resource librarian, Pat Westby made a motion that our evaluation report that the Columbia County Library Board is pleased with the services that SCLS provides, and appreciates its response to our 2008 evaluation comments. Andy Ross seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Annual Report to the County Board of Supervisors: This topic was tabled until the March meeting. However, the resource librarian was advised to follow last year's format and present it at the Board's March meeting. She was also advised that the report will be presented to the County Board at its May meeting.

SCLS Report: None, although Sue Martin, who serves on the SCLS Board of Trustees reported on the SCLS's successful move to a new location, and the recent announcement that the System's Director has announced her intention to retire in June, 2010, and that a search committee will be formed to replace her.

Budget payments: There were no payments to be approved.

Library Visits: Carol Ziehmke reported on her visit to the Randolph library, and described it as a 'nice experience.'

Other Items:

Annual Action Plan:

Shannon Stiller reported on her perception of her responsibilities as the resource librarian, one of which is the review of the Library Board's Annual Action Plan. She had met earlier with the librarians and reported on that meeting's decisions regarding the plan. The Board agreed on the recommendations made by the librarians, and items that are not the responsibility of the Board or its members were removed from the Plan as agreed by the Board members.

Advocacy:

At the meeting of the librarians had to discuss the Action Plan, the subject of Advocacy and the role of the librarians in advocacy was discussed. The Board discussed this issue and agreed that advocacy was the responsibility of both the librarians and the County Library Board. Sue Martin, who is the Columbia County representative on the SCLS Board of Trustees volunteered to ask if the SCLS has resource material available that can be adapted for each county's use.

It was suggested that the Columbia Library Board take advantage of the annual Library Week each year to recognize a "Friend of the Library" and to ask each library in the County to nominate a 'friend' for recognition. The nominations will be due in late fall, voted upon at the January meeting and presented during Library Week. This advocacy plan was agreed upon by the Library Board and the librarians.

SCLS Hiring Process: Trisha Priewe , Lodi library, was a part of the SCLS interview/selection team for the Technical Services Manager position that was recently filled. She reported on the process that the selection team used.

Next Meeting: The next Columbia County Library Board meeting will be held on March 5, 2010 at the Portage Public Library.

Adjournment: The County Library Board meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m. upon the motion of Andy Ross, and second by Bev Hoffmann.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Martin
Secretary