

Belleville Library Board Meeting

February 15, 2012

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

Present: Denise Mussehl, Barbara Belle, Jean Christensen, Mary Gehin, Bonnie Wilcox, Linda Schmitt, and guest, Bronna Lehman

Visitors Who Would Like to Speak Now:

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Reading of Minutes from Last Meeting/Secretary's Report: The minutes from the January 2012 meeting were reviewed. Mary asked if the letter of intent for the MCF grant had been accepted; Jean reported that it had not and Rick Francois has been informed. Mary made a motion to accept the minutes; the motion was carried.

Treasurer's Report:

a. Payment of Bills

Mary made a motion to pay the bills for January 2012; the motion was carried.

OLD BUSINESS

A. Building

Bids for the Library elevator repair have been made. Work on the entry area/restrooms could take up to three weeks; the South Door will be used when the main door is unavailable.

B. Madison Community Foundation Grant

As discussed at past meetings, the MCF is moving forward with the Beyond the Page fundraising program. MCF expects member libraries to raise up to \$10,000 in donations; the Belleville Public Library has thus far collected \$3000.

NEW BUSINESS

A. 2011 Annual Report

Jean provided Board members with a draft version of the 2011 Annual Report, which is due at the end of February. Discussion ensued regarding the Report and how to answer certain questions. Linda made a motion that the final version of the Annual Report will be made available at the Library for review by Board members prior to signing by Mary and submittal; the motion was carried.

B. Author Visit

Linda reported that the School and Library are once again co-hosting an author visit. Writer/illustrator Kevin Baker will visit the Belleville schools and library on March 29. Linda asked for support from the Library, and the Board approved a \$1000 contribution from the Library.

REPORTS

A. Village Representative:

B. Director:

1. National Library Week is April 9-14; the Library will hold an Open House on Saturday of that week.
2. Bronna reported a good response to the Best Reads of 2011 initiative after a slow start. She plans to post some of the responses on the Library homepage, in the hopes that staff and patron recommendations may be posted on a regular basis.
3. Jean would like to purchase ear buds that children may buy and keep at the Library for their own personal use.

Bonnie made a motion to go to closed session per Wisconsin Statue 1895(1)(c) considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any employee over which the governing board has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; the motion was carried and the Board convened to closed session at 7:09 pm.

Mary made a motion to reconvene to open session for possible action on items discussed in close session; the motion was carried and the Board reconvened to open session at 8:23 pm.

Adjournment:

Mary made motion to adjourn; Linda seconded the motion. The motion was carried and the meeting was adjourned at 8:24 pm.