

FONTANA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21ST, 2007

President Murphy called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Kay Frazier; Joe McHugh; Genie Murphy; Ann Catlow
Tom Whowell

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mary Ann Pearce, Sharon O'Brien

OTHERS PRESENT; Nancy Krei, Library Director

Due to the death of Nancy Krei's Father, there was no February meeting/minutes..

TREASURER'S REPORT: Motion by Whowell/Frazier to pay the March Village and Gift Account bills and to accept the Petty Cash report. The motion was carried unanimously.

VILLAGE PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Tom Whowell informed the Board that the Library's budget was approved even though we did not have a 3% raise across the board. This was accomplished by Genie Murphy's explanation to the Village Board of how the salary raises averaged out to a 3% increase.

LAKESHORES REPORT

The LAC meeting was successfully hosted by Fontana on March 6th, 2007. The major topic of the meeting was delivery issues. Since the merger, Book deliveries have increased. This necessitates an additional part time driver. Lakeshores will pay 50% of the increased cost and the libraries will have to absorb the rest. Fontana's share is approximately \$300. Joe McHugh suggested that the Libraries that borrow the most pay the most. Nancy informed the Board that all DVDs would have a 7-day circulation, which mirrors our neighboring Libraries. Lakeshores System has received another LSTA federally funded Spanish Grant. The money is for materials and programming. The grant stipulates the money should be used for either an entertainer on Children's Day, 4/30 or Hispanic Heritage Month (9/15 to 10/15)

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: On February 27th, 2007, Nancy attended a "Greener Pastures" workshop held in Waterford and funded by the Gates Foundation. Lot's of "brainstorming", but not concrete ideas. On March 29th, during the Spring Break, the Fontana Library will host a Build a Bear – Like program. The charge is \$15 and the Library will provide the \$3 sound feature. The Fontana Library received a Falcon Award from the Elementary School District for coordinating student art displays every month, and for having special displays during Student Art Month. There will be a Poetry contest during the month of April and led by Norma. There will be a book sale during National Library Week, April 15-21. Dawn Sammons and Tammy Brooks will conduct three scrapbooking workshops during the week. The Wisconsin Association of Public Librarians Conference will take place in Eau Claire (May 3-4).

OLD BUSINESS:

The Library sign should not be on the retaining wall. The anticipated mural for the outside wall is a future project, and a long way from completion. A discussion took place on the options available for the retaining wall: A scratch wall; Split rock or natural rock. The consensus was for the Split rock.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Board discussed the establishment of a memorial in honor of the recently deceased Board Member, Inger Fisher. It was decided that the Children's Garden would be named the Inger Fisher Memorial Children's Garden. We might consider including plants that would attract butterflies. The Park Commission is coordinating the landscaping.

The Family of Inger Fisher contributed \$410 in honor of Inger. \$250 of the \$410 is designated for children's' library needs. Nancy said the Library needs a TV/DVD combo, which is mainly used by the children.

Nancy brought up the need for a new printer. After a short discussion, Mary Kay Frazier moved that Nancy purchase one for the Library. The motion was carried unanimously. Nancy also informed the Board that there was a possibility that the Village might not continue to contract with THz3 for computer maintenance. If this takes place, the Library will have to start paying for computer service.

Motion by Murphy/Catlow to adjourn at 11:40 a.m. carried unanimously. The next meeting will be Monday, April 16th, 2007.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Catlow
Secretary Pro Tem