

Board Meeting
Minutes

January 11, 2006

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Bellwood Public Library was called to order at 7:18 p.m. by President, Arnie Bryant in the Large Meeting Room.

Attendance: Present were: Ms. Archibald, Mr. Bryant, Ms. Grundler, Rev. Saffo and Ms. Smith. Also in attendance were Anthony Oliver, Project Manager, Mrs. Wooten, Director and Chris Smith, Recording Secretary

A motion was made by Rev. Saffo, seconded by Ms. Grundler accept the consent agenda as printed.

Finance Committee Report: A Motion was made by Ms. Smith, Seconded by Rev. Saffo to accept the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2006.

AYES: 5: Ms. Archibald, Ms. Grundler, Mr. Bryant, Rev. Saffo and Ms. Smith.

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1: Pastor Horton

The motion carried by unanimous vote.

A. Report of Bills # 626, #626-A, #626-B: The following reports of bills were submitted, copies of which are included as part of these minutes:

#625 in the amount of	\$ 62,259.85
#625-A in the amount of	\$ 59,997.00
#625-B in the amount of	\$ 560.67

TOTAL: \$ 122,817.52

A motion was made by Rev. Saffo, seconded by Ms. Grundler, to accept bills #626, #626-A and #626-B, that they be submitted for payment, and that the Library Board Treasurer and Library Board President be authorized to issue checks in payment of these bills. A roll call vote was taken.

B. Transfer of Funds: An IPTIP transfer of \$80,000 was made on December 8, 2005.

C. Reinvestments: The CD investment of \$100,000 was renewed during the December maturity @ the best available rate 4.50% APY.

Other Committee Reports:

A. Administration Committee: None

B. Building and Grounds Committee: Mr. Bryant reported that the book depository has been inoperable for some time. Efforts to find a replacement at a reasonable cost previously were unsuccessful. However, the search will continue since there has been a substantial delay in the projected availability of a new library building. The outside location of this receptacle is more convenient to many patrons who do not wish to use the book depository by the front entrance when the library is closed.

C. Public Relations and Legislation: Ms. Grundler reported that all registrations and housing arrangements have been completed for those participating in the National PLA Conference to be held March 20-25, 2006 in Boston. Registration is now available for the National ALA Conference in New Orleans June 23-28, 2006. Pre-Conference begins June 22; most other events begin June 23 and end June 27. All participants are encouraged to register at this time and reserve housing as soon as possible. A listing of hotels and rates is available on the ALA website or the January issue of "American Libraries."

Another PLA Forum for trustees is being held Feb. 25, 2006 in Lisle. This is an all day seminar with registration due by February 13. Any interested trustees should notify the library administrative staff.

D. Planning and Development Committee: Rev. Saffo reported that the Village of Bellwood hired a firm to take a poll concerning support for the new library building. This poll of 400 Bellwood registered voters took place on December 17-18, 2005. A copy of the results has been forwarded to the Library and the project manager, Anthony Oliver. Consequently, some important decisions are necessary by the Library Board and Mr. Oliver will elaborate on these issues.

E. Metropolitan Library System Committee: Ms. Smith reported that the MLS Administrators Quarterly meeting was held January 5, 2006. It was postponed due to the funeral of an MLS staff member occurring on December 1, 2005 the original date of the MLS meeting. The 2007 budget was approved as well as the reinstatement of the Brookfield Library as a member of SWAN. Repairs have been completed on the MLS building made necessary by the recent water main break.

New Business: A motion was made by Mr. Bryant, seconded by Ms. Smith for the library to be closed on April 14, 2006 (Good Friday).

AYES: 5: Ms. Archibald, Ms. Grundler, Mr. Bryant, Rev. Saffo and Ms. Smith.

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1: Pastor Horton

The motion carried by unanimous vote.

A motion was made by Mr. Bryant, seconded by Rev. Saffo that April 14, 2006 be considered a Floating Holiday.

AYES: 5: Ms. Archibald, Ms. Grundler, Mr. Bryant, Rev. Saffo and Ms. Smith.

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1: Pastor Horton

The motion carried by unanimous vote.

Public Comment: None

Announcements: None

The next Board Meeting of the Bellwood Public Library Board will be held on Wednesday, February 8, 2006 at 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment: A motion was made by Mr. Bryant, seconded by Rev. Saffo, to adjourn the meeting. Voice vote: all ayes.

Mr. Bryant adjourned the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

Chris Smith, Recording Secretary