

Minutes of Meeting of
Argenta-Oreana Public Library District
Board of Trustees
November 13, 2012 at Oreana

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 pm by Vice President, Matt Honnold. Library board members present were Marsha Ferguson, Ron Ioerger, Dorothy Morsch and Doris McKay. Absent was Board President, John White. Also in attendance were Julia Welzen, Library Director, and member of the public, Barbara Light.

The board reviewed the minutes from the October 22nd meeting. Marsha Ferguson moved that the October 22nd minutes be approved, and Dorothy Morsch seconded the motion. The motion passed with all ayes.

Julia introduced Barbara Light to the board. Barbara is running in the Spring for a full term and has shown an interest in filling in the current vacancy. The board discussed the letter from Robin Whitaker, regarding the need for a color printer at the Argenta Library. Julia discussed with the options on color printers with the board. Julia will acquire a color printer for the Argenta Library. There was also a discussion regarding the Board President's suggested letter of response to Robin Whitaker. Julia showed the board members the article in the Decatur Herald & Review on the "Meet Michelangelo" program at the library, as well as the thumbs-up from the Decatur Herald & Review Editorial staff. Julia shared with the board a thank you note from the Wendt Family regarding the same program. Julia also shared with the board the letter from Barbara Brown regarding the replacement memorial bench for her father sent with her \$500 donation for the replacement bench.

The review of the bills and financial reports for October was tabled until the December 10th meeting.

Julia Welzen, Director, reported the FY2012 Per Capita Grant check had arrived and had been deposited. The IMRF contribution rate for 2013 will be 13.95%. The rate for 2012 was 15.29%. Part of the rate improvement was due to the extra contributions to pay down the under-funded reserve. The Annual Financial report has been filed with the Comptroller's Office. The Financial Review performed by May, Cocagne, and King went smoothly. The landscaping project at Argenta is nearly complete. The concrete slab under the old bench crumbled when it was lifted. It did not have any rebar and a new slab will need to be poured. Julia reported that Rainey did an excellent job, and they were very good about cleaning up each day. The vinyl flooring in the community room will be installed November 19-21. The Kindle Paperwhites did not have text-to-speech capability, which means that they are not ADA compliant, so the library is getting refurbished Kindle Touches, which have been shipped. Staff will be trained on their use, and they will be put into circulation. The cassette audio book collection at both libraries will be closed, as the circulation has been extremely low for the last two years. An additional person has agreed to run for one of the six-year trustee positions in the April election. There is still one 2-year term available. Family Reading night will be held Thursday, November 15th at 6:30 pm at the Argenta Library the theme is "One World, Many Stories" and some of the children will tell Michelangelo's story. There will be crafts and snacks. The library will be collecting Food for

Fines through December, with the food going to Oreana Christian Church foodbank. The library will also be collecting old cell phones for Dove.

In new business, the board reviewed the Annual Treasurer's Report. The board also reviewed the Annual Financial Report done by May, Cocagne & King and asked Julia if they might be willing to attend a board meeting and review the report with the board. Julia agreed to contact them.

The board reviewed the LLSAP credit report from the Illinois Heartland Library System, and Julia Welzen's recommendations on how to apply the credits. Doris McKay moved that the board approve the use of the \$8,504 credit toward the FY2013 (full) & FY2014 (partial) SHARE Fees and the FY2013 Gale Database Fees. Marsha Ferguson seconded the motion. The motion passed with all ayes.

The board discussed with Barbara Light the vacant position on the board. Dorothy Morsch moved and Doris McKay seconded the motion that Barbara Light be appointed to the vacant board position. The motion passed with all ayes. Barbara Light took the Oath of Office.

Ron Ioerger moved and Doris McKay seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:25 p.m. The motion passed with all ayes.

The next regular board meeting will be Monday, December 10th at 4:30 p.m. at Oreana.

Respectfully submitted,

Doris J. McKay, Secretary