MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES OF THE BARRINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Library Trustees of the Barrington Public Library District was held on January 11, 2010, at 7:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Barrington Area Library pursuant to notices sent to the board and the press on January 8, 2010.

Present and acting as trustees:

Richard J. Ryan, President Donald F. Minner, Vice President Henry G. Wisniewski, Treasurer Carolyn Welch Clifford, Secretary Lawrence Jay Weiner Barbara Pintozzi

Also in attendance:

Detlev Pansch, Executive Director Faye Sinnott, Friends of the Library Betty O'Grady, staff

President Ryan called the meeting to order. He asked for comments and/or corrections on the minutes of the Public Hearing and Regular Meeting of November 9, 2009. Ms. Pintozzi moved, and Ms. Clifford seconded, to approve those minutes as corrected.

Ayes: Ryan, Minner, Wisniewski, Clifford, Pintozzi

Nays: 0

Abstention: Weiner Motion CARRIED.

The board reviewed the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 14, 2009. Mr. Minner moved, and Ms. Clifford seconded, to approve those minutes as presented.

Ayes: Ryan, Minner, Wisniewski, Clifford, Pintozzi

Nays: 0

Abstention: Weiner Motion CARRIED.

The Executive Session minutes of December 14, 2009, were reviewed. Ms. Pintozzi moved, and Ms. Clifford seconded, to approve those minutes but not to release them for public viewing.

Ayes: Ryan, Minner, Wisniewski, Clifford, Pintozzi

Nays: 0

Abstention: Weiner Motion CARRIED.

Under President's report, Mr. Ryan received a letter from the Village. They are not interested in putting in a spine road.

Mr. Wisniewski presented the Treasurer's report. Beginning balance was \$5,397,868.46. Income was \$863,643.96 and expenditures \$490,033.13. Ending balance was \$5,771,479.29. This ending balance is \$753,411.38 greater than that of December 31, 2008. Mr. Weiner moved, and Mr. Minner seconded, to approve the Treasurer's report and the bills submitted for payment by the Executive Director.

Ayes: Ryan, Minner, Wisniewski, Clifford, Weiner, Pintozzi

Nays: 0

Motion CARRIED.

Mr. Pansch presented the Executive Director's report. He stated that a bequest had been received from the Ferry Family Trust. A check for \$20,415.25 was received. A thank-you letter will be written. Mr. Pansch thought perhaps a media lab could be created in the single study room on the first floor. After discussion, Mr. Weiner moved, and Mr. Wisniewski seconded, to use this generous gift for a media lab with a plaque to commemorate the gift.

Ayes: Ryan, Minner, Wisniewski, Clifford, Weiner, Pintozzi

Nays: 0

Motion CARRIED.

Director Pansch stated that July 4 falls on a Sunday this year and recommended that the library close on Monday, July 5. Mr. Weiner moved, and Ms. Pintozzi seconded, to close the library on July 5 for the holiday

Ayes: Ryan, Minner, Wisniewski, Clifford, Weiner, Pintozzi

Navs: 0

Motion CARRIED.

Mr. Ryan noted that the money received in Circulation Services has greatly increased. Mr. Pansch stated that reminders about fines were sent to patrons. Circulation has increased by 35% and the door count is 32% higher.

A discussion followed on the library's investments. Investments have been placed in IPTIP funds, and two counties deposit library tax money directly there. The board agreed to research acquiring CDs as well.

Under Arts Advisory Committee, Ms. Pintozzi spoke about the current artist, Matthew Woodward. His work creates a sense of decay. It took twelve hours for him to install his exhibit, some pieces of which are immense. The attendance at the reception was approximately 40.

Ms. Sinnott presented the Friends of the Library report. Their annual meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 13. Mr. Ryan promised to attend. The next book sale is scheduled for February 20 and 21. The Friends were thanked for all their efforts to help the library.

There was no Old Business. Under New Business, interviews for the vacant trustee position were held that evening. The board made a decision to offer the position to Kathleen Peterson. Mr. Ryan will call Ms. Peterson on Tuesday, January 12, with the news. Mr. Ryan moved, and Mr. Minner seconded, to approve Ms. Peterson's appointment to the board until the next election.

Ayes: Ryan, Minner, Wisniewski, Clifford, Weiner, Pintozzi

Nays: 0

Motion CARRIED.

Mr. Ryan agreed to write letters to the other candidates who were interviewed and encourage them to run for the election.

Mr. Minner noted that he had used the computers in Adult Services and noticed that they were quite dirty. The area should be cleaned more frequently. He felt that the library can do better than this. It should not be like this. Mr. Pansch will investigate the options.

The board agreed there was no need for an Executive Session. Mr. Wisniewski moved, and Mr. Weiner seconded, to adjourn.

Ayes: Ryan, Minner, Wisniewski, Clifford, Weiner, Pintozzi

Navs: 0

Motion CARRIED.

Adjournment was at 7:56 p.m.

Barbara Pintozzi, Secretary Pro Tem