MINUTES WINFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

February 11, 2009

I. Call to Order

The meeting of the Winfield Public Library board of Trustees was called to order at 7:32 PM.

II. Pledge of allegiance

III. Roll Call

Present: Absent:

Carol Tenyak-O'Connor Laura Slivinski Cindy Keck Michael Belica

Robert Brown

Ida Lee

Matthew Suddarth

Also Present: Denise Carlson

IV. Approval of Agenda:

Lee moved, Brown seconded. Ayes, all present.

V. Consent Agenda:

Brown moved approval, Lee seconded. Ayes: all present.

VI. Communication and Correspondence

An article from a Courier Newspaper, and one from the Wall Street Journal, was presented, about the increased use of libraries during slow economic times. Implementation of a recently passed federal law about lead testing in children's toys has been delayed until February 2010, while policies about testing of books in libraries are settled.

A flier about Illinois Library Day was handed out.

An article about Google's move to digitize books and make them available without purchase was shared.

A flier about the ILA Library Trustee Forum Feb. 28 was handed out.

A correspondence from Attorney Riztman with attached documents concerning the benefits of investments in libraries was shared.

VII. Citizens To Speak: None

VIII. Reports of Standing Committees

a. Finance:

Brown moved acceptance of the appropriations budget as presented. Lee seconded. Ayes: all present.

b. Administration and Personnel:
Library Director's annual review tabled until March meeting.

IX. Library Director's Report

Referendum committee has met, is making plans for meeting with community groups, and has a meeting scheduled for Feb. 18 at the Winfield Central School.

Papers for the referendum have been filed at the county by the village clerk. A report of current bills before the legislature that may effect libraries was included in the director's written report.

Public libraries are not currently mentioned in the federal stimulus bill. People are encouraged to call their representatives and senators and urge the language be added.

Winter historical programs begin Feb. 26 with "images of Honest Abe." New copies of *Serving Our Public: Standards for Illinois Libraries* have been ordered.

The used bookdrop from Naperville Library is here, will be set up soon. Cindy Keck will be running for a two-year term, and Ida Lee will be running for a four-year term in the April 2009 election.

Suddarth reported on various community meetings he has attended.

X. Old Business

A. Facility Plan Committee

Plans are on hold until after the results of the April election. If referendum doesn't pass, will look to holding focus groups with community input to see what the community would like to see happen at the library. If referendum does pass, will have Fred Schlipf meet with architects to coordinate ideas as detailed plans are drawn.

B. Board Value Statement

Brown moved that consideration of a Board Value Statement be deferred indefinitely. Lee seconded. Ayes: all present

C. Closed Session—Appointment of New Trustee to Fill Vacant Position (5 ILCS 120/2 (C) 3))

Without going into closed session, Keck moved Denise Carlson be appointed to Board Trustee to fill the seat vacated by Karen Hannah. Lee seconded. Ayes: all present

Carlson was sworn by Cindy Keck, Secretary

D. Library Walk Through

Brown moved that the report of this year's walk through be deferred to the March meeting. Carlson seconded. Ayes: all present

Board will do next year's walk through as a whole at 7:00 PM before the June meeting

XI. New Business

A. Internet Policy

Brown moved approval of the Internet Policy with changes as presented. Lee seconded. Ayes: all present

B. Serving Our Public—Personnel Reviewed by board

XII. Other Business:

Lee reported on attending a DLS Trustee Roundtable meeting. The Aurora Public Library is writing a new personnel policy which they will be glad to share with other libraries when it is finished.

Suddarth will post a public notice of the LAP committee meeting on Feb. 18. Carlson said a group she works with will donate all its leftover used books and video material to the Friends of the Library book sale in March.

XIII. Adjournment:

Brown moved and Lee seconded adjournment at 9:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy L. Keck, Secretary