

Seymour Public Library Board of Directors
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
October 20, 2011

Present: Loreen Coe, Joyce Koslowski, Steve Kulas, Pauline Lounsbury, Susan Strumello, Carol Ralston, Library Director

CALL TO ORDER convened at 7:00 p.m. with pledge of allegiance led by Loreen Coe.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES from September 15, 2011 meeting was granted without any additions/corrections.

Motion to Accept: Steve Kulas; Second: Joyce Koslowski 4-1-0 Abstain: Susan Strumello

TREASURER'S REPORT: Approved without incident.

There have been some grievances regarding the slow datafeed in the new Evergreen system. It was recommended that the library divide the data feed between the CEN line and the ComCast cable wireless hookup. CEN is cable paid for by the State of Connecticut. The CEN cable will be used only for Evergreen traffic while the ComCast cable will be used for internet traffic. This should resolve the speed of transmission. These costs can be covered in the endowment line.

Motion to Accept: Steve Kulas; Second: Loreen Coe 5-0-0

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT: Carol Ralston, Library Director, reported that she will need to attend Jury Duty on November 9, 2011 at the Superior Court in New Britain.

Installation of the new foyer flooring and countertop for the circulation desk is complete and has generated positive feedback.

There had been a leaking problem in the area of the children's videos. Nick's Roofing was contacted to check the roof and found that there was no leak damage. Staff from Public Works discovered the problem was an old drain that needed extensive caulking which was done. This seems to have resolved the problem.

Two new CPU units have been ordered at a cost of \$544.00 each, less than previously reported last month, \$610.00. One unit will be paid through the town account and the second through the library.

Our first YA program on the Paranormal seemed to be very successful attracting 29 teens. New classes coming up in November include Landscaping and Writing Skills.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Painting of the trim on the Library building was tabled until January 2012.

Motion to Table: Steve Kulas; Second: Loreen Coe 5-0-0

NEW BUSINESS: Budget for pages to be added under New Business.

Motion to Add to Agenda: Steve Kulas; Second: Susan Strumello 5-0-0

There is \$9,977.00 available in the page account. Estimate on week of 11/15/11 which is the projected week of employment is \$9,350.00. Expenditure for 2 pages working 16 hours each @ \$8.25 per hour is \$8,712.00.

Material expenditures for October are \$4,047.00.

Motion to Accept: Steve Kulas; Second: Joyce Koslowski 5-0-0

The Valley Foundation hired an artist to sketch all the local libraries in pencil. The artist has been visiting the libraries to present these sketches. Mr. Cohen of the Valley Foundation may bring the sketch of the Seymour Public Library, along with the artist, to next month's meeting. This will be a pleasant surprise.

Motion to Adjourn: Steve Kulas; Second: Loreen Coe 5-0-0

Next Meeting: November 17, 2011

Respectfully Submitted, Cheryl Abbott, Recording Secretary