

**Minutes of the Salem Public Library Board
December 9, 2010**

The December 9, 2010 meeting of the Salem Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order by President Ruth Ann Parker, with Librarian Glenda Wofford, Liz Condray, Roseann Bray, Will Hubbs, Loretta McClure, and Meredith Craig in attendance.

Minutes of the November 8, 2010 meeting were read and approved with a motion by Liz Condray and a second by Meredith Craig to accept as written. Motion carried.

Librarian's/Treasurer's Reports: Glenda reported that a \$10,000 donation has been received from the Craig Foundation / Foundation of the Ozarks. The money has been invested in a 6-month CD at the Bank of Salem at a rate of .85%. The investment will be revisited in six months. The CitiGroup investment has been cashed in. Glenda reports that the library must pay its portion of the USDA grant. Glenda also reported that MOREnet fees are up. She attended a meeting in Springfield that helped her determine to keep the library's supplier as MORENET, since it comes with a help desk, technical support, router, and equipment. It was also noted that monthly utility fees were down slightly, but fuel costs will be rising with the coming of cold weather. Will Hubbs moved to accept these report, with a second by Loretta McClure. Motion carried.

Book Reviews: *The Help*, a novel by Kathryn Stockett, was reported to be excellent and is recommended by Roseann Bray. It is about the lives of black housekeepers in the South during the 50's and 60's.

Correspondence: There was no correspondence.

Old Business: Glenda discussed filtering issues with MOREnet, and shared information from the Internet that reveals the blocking of several Native American sites. The library has been contacted by persons concerned about the blocking of these sites. Glenda will contact the legal department of the Missouri State Library's office to learn what the appropriate response to these concerns should be with regard to unblocking sites while working within the parameters of MOREnet's filter system.

In other old business, architect Paul Frisbee, in a preliminary recommendation, suggested a small addition of about 3200 square feet. He indicated that he still needs to do some site work, but is working on a proposal.

New Business: The USDA grant-funded furnishings are arriving at the library. Glenda asked for suggestions about what to do with the old equipment. She will ask for "silent bids" on some of the equipment.

The MS&T Project Management Opportunity class held a meeting regarding possibilities for upcoming class projects. Joe Brand attended the meeting and will attend the next meeting on December 16 at 1:00 p.m. at the TCRC.

Glenda commented on the future of the TCRC since it has lost its state funding. They may be asked to move and are looking for a place to relocate as soon as June 30, 2011. The library is not able to offer space at this time, but might be able to in the future if an addition is completed.

The first reading of recommended changes to the by-laws was held. Those recommendations are attached as **Appendix 1** to these minutes. They are to be reread and discussed at the next meeting.

Instead of reading a selection this month, the Book Talk group will celebrate the season with a Christmas party. It will be held on Thursday, December 16.

"Random Acts of Kindness", a program for Older Adults will meet at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, December 21 in the Library Meeting Room.

The next regular meeting of the Board will be January 13, 2011.

Adjournment: Liz Condray moved, and Meredith Craig seconded that we adjourn. Motion carried.

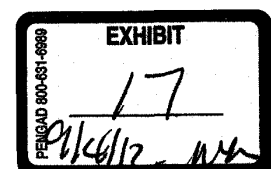


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