

MINUTES FOR AUGUST 19, 2009 LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

- I. Call to order at 7:01 p.m. by Rickett.
Present: Rickett, Brockington, Nowak, Oakley, Al Lyon, and Librarian Boetcher
- II The July 15, 2009 minutes were approved as written; Brockington/Nowak
- III Motion by Oakley/Lyon to pay the bills for July 16-31, 2009 (\$2,778.28). Motion passed.

Liam Battjes took the group policy coordinated by Saugatuck Township beginning July 1, 2009. Battjes will be reimbursed for the Blue Shield & Blue Cross policy he paid for June 2009.
- IV Gifts: see attached
- V Accepted the Financial and Assets reports as submitted. Martha reported on the ratings for several area banks. Macatawa Bank has a low rating.
- VI Librarian's Report – see attached
Manlius submitted a letter concerning contracting with the Herrick District Library.

Complaint letter received concerning student harp concert. Mrs. Avis Hagar stated that she felt there was no institutional follow through with set up or personal encouragement to attend.

The City of Douglas is planning to address the ownership of the library building, but they are waiting to engage a new attorney.
- VII Committee Reports - none
- VII Old Business:
Points to look at noted in the proposed Pandemic Policy in September.
- VIII New Business:

Employees of Haworth Corporation are paid \$40/month if they do not take the health insurance benefit.

Old furniture in the circulation area may be offered as a silent auction by the Friends of the Library.

Trustees agreeing to stand for reappointment: Charles Rickett, Al Lyon, and Steve Oakley.

Nowak/Oakley made a motion to approve the resolution opposing Executive Order No. 2009-36 as read. Motion carried.

Discussion concerning our participation to protest EO 2009-36 included how best to publicize our message, the trustees concluded that a petition in the library and letters for the public to send would be prudent. Other ideas suggested were: bookmarks, letter to the editor, or newspaper articles.

Nowak and Brockington accepted responsibility for submitting a slate of officers for the Library Board in October.

- X. Guest: Maryrita Peters, Friends of the Library, talked about the fundraising dinner Sunday 18 October, 2009 at Wild Dog. Appetizers at the Library. Preliminary cost estimate is \$38. The Friends would like the alcohol policy suspended for this event.
- XI. Adjourned 8:26 p.m.