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ALBANY COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING OF AUGUST 23, 2011

The Albany County Public Library Board of Directors met on Tuesday, August 23, 2011, in the senior center in the Rock River Town Hall. Directors present were Antonio Bendezu, Terry Callaghan, Suzanne Harris, and Rebecca Roberts. Also present were Marjorie Daley, staff representative; Shirley Smith, Rock River Branch Librarian; and Susan Simpson, Albany County Librarian. Diana Shelton arrived later.

PUBLIC HEARING: Chair Antonio Bendezu called the public hearing on the revised FY12 budget to order at 5:03 p.m. There being no public comment, he adjourned the meeting and called the regular meeting to order at 5:04 p.m. He opened the meeting by thanking the town residents for their letter of support sent to the county commissioners last month.

People present introduced themselves and toured the branch library and community room where the computers the library provides are available to the public when the town hall is open. The library provides wireless access when the town hall is open. Shirley Smith said that she would like to see the library open more than six hours a week. Mondays would be popular with the community. She also reported that the Eppson Center was no longer delivering meals to Rock River.

Terry Callaghan moved and Rebecca Roberts seconded approving the consent agenda as presented:

- Minutes of the Reconvened Meeting of June 28 and the Regular Meeting of July 26, 2011
- July Statistics
- July Revenues and Expenditures
- July Balance Sheet

Motion carried.

WRITTEN REPORTS:

Susan Simpson reported that the Schenker book fund is now the Book Sale Crew fund, honoring all book sale volunteers, and movies is a new materials fund. The gate counter is apparently repaired now.

ORAL REPORTS:

Marjorie Daley reported that staff members were disgruntled that their steps had not been restored. The board explained that they had tried to fund the return, but could not. Bendezu suggested the staff bring the issue up again. Due to no pay raise in fiscal years 09 and 11, staff did not receive step increases or raises those years.

Diana Shelton reported that the Friends had not met since April. Books continue to flow in.

APPROVE VOUCHERS: Roberts moved and Suzanne Harris seconded approving the vouchers as presented in the amount of \$16,944.22 and one FSA payment of \$1768 to Bernie Burr-Wilkin. Earlier online payments to ACPE/Visa for materials and programming, CenturyLink (formerly Qwest), FSH Communication, KONE, Rocky Mountain Power, Source Gas, Staples, and Total Funds by Hasler were included. A transfer from the Wyoming State Treasurer to the foundation for the endowment challenge was also included on the list. Motion carried.

REVISED FY12 BUDGET: Six staff members mistakenly received a double step pay increase in the budget approved July 26. The problem arose because there were two years when there were no raises, not one. The revised budget corrects the step and allocates the resulting balance, less than \$4,400, to supplies. Roberts moved and Shelton seconded approving the revised budget as presented. Motion carried.

SOWING SEEDS FOR PEACE: Maria Love asked the library consider dedicating four square yards of land for a flower garden and plaque to commemorate the tenth anniversary of the September 11 attacks. The University Common Ministry is proposing the project and hopes to have a plot on campus too, but that is not yet arranged. Neither is the list of participants final. The group has reserved the meeting room for a program on 9-11-11. The board was concerned that the project might violate the establishment of religion clause of the constitution and was concerned that there was not much time before the event nor firm commitments from other groups and declined to act on the request. Simpson will notify Love.

FOL BOOK SALE PREPARATION: Shelton moved and Harris seconded approving the sale of approximately 5,092 items withdrawn from the collection at public sale supervised by the Friends of the Library. The Friends will reimburse the library \$.15 per item, knowing that some are thrown away and others are sold for more. Motion carried. Callaghan moved and Harris seconded approving the library's opening at 10 a.m. on Saturdays, Oct 22 and Oct. 29 to allow easy access to the book sale on those days. Motion carried.

The meeting recessed at 6:10 p.m. for a break and work session.

The meeting reconvened and adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan M. Simpson
Secretary pro tem