

**WESTWOOD FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY
MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

MEETING DATE: Thursday, October 16, 2008
7:30PM

Dennis Farrell, Cheryl Chang, Ingrid Quinn (Westwood Council), Scott Berkoben, Martha Urbiel (Library Director), Noelene Grefrath, Alfred Oelkers

Dennis Farrell read the Open Public Meeting Law.

PUBLIC FORUM:

No members of the public were present.

MINUTES: Minutes of the June 2008 meeting were approved on a motion by Alfred Oelkers and seconded by Noelene Grefrath.

CORRESPONDENCE: None.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Read by Noelene Grefrath and approved on a motion by Alfred Oelkers, seconded by Scott Berkoben. A motion was made by Alfred Oelkers to pay the bills and seconded by Noelene Grefrath.

COMMITTEE REPORT: None.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Given by Martha Urbiel.

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Director Urbiel would like to extend Saturday hours to go throughout the year and will look into the feasibility of it for the coming year.

Policies for meeting room use and exhibitor release were prepared for Board approval. Berkoben questioned whether it was consistent with the Borough and Director Urbiel said she would verify first, resend out policies and seek board approval at the next meeting.

Board members coming up for expiration are all interested in seeking reappointment. Grefrath expressed an interest in becoming a regular board member as opposed to being the Superintendent's alternate. Quinn said she would put that request before the mayor in addition to two other names for possible inclusion on the board to replace Perna who resigned summer of 2008.

Director Urbiel is forming a 90th birthday committee to put together an open house in May 2009 to celebrate. Dennis Farrell, Cheryl Chang and Noelene Grefrath joined the committee. Urbiel will seek individuals from other town organizations to be on the committee and expressed a desire to make the celebration an opportunity to also make the library more visible in the community. Banners in town were suggested. Ingrid Quinn suggested involving the Chamber. Ideas will be brought up again at the first Birthday committee meeting which will hopefully be scheduled in November 2008.

Budget committee will meet October 21st.

Urbiel encouraged Board to participate in Trustee trainings. Urbiel invited board to one on October 31st that she will be attending about private funding.

Chang has been serving on the BCCLS executive committee and suggested that the Board attend another library's Board meeting. Farrell suggested Ridgewood and Urbiel said she would organize.

Chang suggested that not meeting monthly was not working and she relayed that Barbara Stewart felt the same. Board decided to go back to monthly meetings and would vote on it at the reorganization meeting in January.

Urbiel discussed the carpeting project.

Quinn said that the council would like to volunteer to work on the garden and Urbiel said she would organize a date.

MEETING ADJOURNED: Motion to adjourn at 8:50pm accepted.