

Meeting of the  
Menomonie Public Library Board  
January 21, 2010  
6:30 PM  
At The Menomonie Public Library  
600 Wolske Bay Rd.  
Menomonie, WI 54751

**Amended Minutes:**

1. Call to order: by Barb at 6:30.
2. Roll Call: Present: Barb Welch, Bernice Sutliff, Richard Morrison, Lee Smalley, Mary Orfield, William O'Neill and Jerry Traxler. Quorum established.
3. Absent: Judy Ganzemiller and Carmen Trimble.
4. Also present: Ted Stark, Lisa Murray
5. Smalley nominated Barb Welch to be Chairman Pro Tem for this meeting. Orfield seconded. APPROVED.
6. Certification of compliance with Open Meetings Law.
7. Approval of agenda: Orfield moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Sutliff. APPROVED.
8. Public comments/concerns: none
9. Reading and approval of minutes: Sutliff moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Smalley. APPROVED.
10. Approval of bills and payroll: O'Neill moved to approve bills, seconded by Sutliff. APPROVED.
11. Reports of the officers
  - a. Secretary's report: (Barb Welch) None
  - b. Treasurer's report: (Dick Morrison) None
  - c. President's report: (Judy Ganzemiller)
  - d. Director's report: (Ted Stark)
    - 1 We have received our Kindles, and will let staff use it to become familiar with it, prior to loaning it out to the public. We are still discussing usage rules including: an age restriction, local usage only, and having them meet with staff for an informational session. They will sign a form prior to checking it out.
    - 2 24-7 Telecom installed a cabinet for our computer wires in the workroom.
    - 3 Menomonie Reads kick-off was Jan. 15 at the Rassbach Museum. There were 125 people attending the pre-performance lecture and 186 for the dancers. We gave away 500 books including 300 to the high school and Stout. The next event is flutist Peter Phippen on 1/28.
    - 4 The president of the Friends of the Menomonie Public Library, Bonnie Nelson, has resigned. They will elect a new president at their next meeting. The next book sale will be held April 15-17.
    - 5 We received a grant from the LSTA (Library Services and Telecom Act) for \$1700 to scan and digitize our Dunn County History book from 1925.

- 6 The Children's Department is hosting a new program called, "Reading in the Dog House" for reluctant readers. A certified therapy dog will be accompanied by his owner, and we invite people to come and read to the dog.
  - 7 We have formed a crime book club, which will be led by Jessica Moyer. It will meet on the third Sunday of each month.
  - 8 Many of our staff will be attending a seminar in February, titled: "Dealing with Difficult People." It will be held in Eau Claire.
12. Old business:
- a. The 2010 Budget is finalized and set.
  - b. Ted discussed the salary range survey. The City and Union have agreed on the cities to be used for the survey including Chippewa Falls, Rice Lake, Eau Claire, New Richmond and Dunn County. Lee suggested that River Falls and Marshfield be considered as well.
  - c. Ted updated the Meeting Room Policy into a more succinct format, retaining most of the old information. Morrison moved to approve the new meeting room policy, seconded by Smalley. APPROVED.
  - d. We have been looking into the signage for the front of our building, to read: "LIBRARY." Some samples were presented along with different fonts and materials. Metal lettering was the preferred choice of materials but there are still many other decisions to be made. Sutliff volunteered to be on a committee. She will meet with Knaacks and Lisa prior to the next meeting, and present the Board with the final choices.
13. New business:
- a. Ted presented the Library ratings sheet.
14. Other thoughts and comments:
- a. Books By Mail is moving to its new location in the IFLS building in Eau Claire, and is having a book sale this week on Friday and Saturday.
15. Agenda planning for next Board meeting:
- a. Signage
  - b. April Board meeting: change so as not to conflict with Book Sale
  - c. Professional development of staff
  - d. New Addition or Branch of the Library
16. Adjourn: Motion by Smalley to adjourn at 8:20 PM, seconded by Sutliff. APPROVED.

Next Board Meeting:

**February 18th at 6:30 PM at The Menomonie Public Library.**

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*Lisa Murray,  
Recording Secretary*

*Date*

*Barb Welch,  
Secretary*

*Date*