MINUTES
Board of Trustees
Edwardsville Public Library

Call to order and roll call of members:

President LaRose called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members present:

Gary Denue

Pete Fornof

Emily Gates

Kim Harrison

Robert LaRose

Francie Powell

Sharon Whittaker

Gloria Zupanci

Absent:

JoAnn Nabe

A. Introduction of guests:

Librarian-Director Deanne W. Holshouser, Assistant-Director Susan Carr

Date: April 25, 2012

Place: Meeting Room

Time: 7:00 p.m.

B. Disposition of regular minutes:

Motion by Gary Denue, seconded Gloria Zupanci by to approve the minutes of the Wednesday March 28th, 2012 Board meeting. **Motion carried.**

C. Communications:

The Library received a thank you note from Global, Inc and the Main Street Community Center for Anne Wolfe's and Judy Thompson's service to their World Flight program committee.

The Library received a thank you note from Gillium Ferguson, speaker at the Genealogical Society's Illinois War of 1812 program.

Emily Gates wrote a thank you note for the gift of books she received from the Library celebrating the birth of her son, Sam.

Oliver Wiest from the Intelligencer requested a copy of the Library's 2012-2013 budget. After consulting with Jeff Berkbigler, City Attorney, Deanne provided him with the information.

D. Committee Reports:

1) Personnel

Deanne reported that staff evaluations will take place in early May.

Mason Schaefer in Youth Services has taken a full time position elsewhere but will continue to work at the Library a few evenings a week.

The Youth Department has hired Keegan Gaines and Jacob Vizcarra.

The City of Edwardsville will post employee total compensation package on their website in accordance with the Illinois Open Meetings Act by position.

2) Building

The elevator has passed its yearly inspection.

E. Finance:

Motion by Emily Gates, seconded by Gary Denue to approve the prepaid bills in the amount of \$59,855.59.

Roll call:

Denue – yes

Fornof – yes

Gates – yes

Harrison – yes

Powell – yes

Whittaker – yes

Zupanci – yes

LaRose - yes

Motion carried.

Motion by Emily Gates, seconded Gary Denue by to approve the bills to the City Clerk in the amount of \$19,541.18.

Roll call:

Denue – yes

Fornof – yes

Gates - yes

Harrison – yes

Powell – yes

Whittaker – yes

Zupanci – yes

LaRose – yes

Motion carried.

Deanne presented the end of the year fiscal year report.

F. Elf Report:

Sharon reported that the date for the Elf book sale at the Edwardsville Municipal Band Concert has been set for Thursday, July12th.

She notes that the Elfs will attend a Gateway Grizzlies game on Sunday, June 24th

G. Illinois Heartland Library System Report:

Deanne reported that the Gatenet User's Group members voted to merge with SHARE, the automated consortium in IHLS. She expects our automation fees to be reduced. Loan rules may become uniform within the system. A central location for the System headquarters has not yet been decided upon.

H. Librarian-Director's Report:

Deanne reported that the summer newsletter is in progress. It will be mailed out in late May or early June. Judy Thompson will be at the May Board meeting to take minutes and will also preview the adult summer programs. The theme for the summer reading program is "Reading is So Delicious."

Deanne spoke with Mayor Niebur and thanked him for meeting with her, President LaRose and Vice President Fornof about the parking lot. He said that closing Kansas Street was a consideration. The responses for the parking survey the Library has conducted show about half the time people say they have trouble finding a parking space on that day or recently.

Deanne met with Elsie Wasser from the Madison County Genealogical Society. They discussed the older microfilm reader which is getting difficult to find parts for repair. Deanne and Judy Thompson will visit the Madison County Historical Library to see their computer based printer/reader as a possible replacement device when the old printer/reader can no longer be serviced.

Deanne also discussed with Elsie what will happen to the collection as members of the MCGS retire. Judy will contact the Belleville Public Library and speak with their genealogy librarian about her training and the services they provide to patrons.

Deanne and Judy attended a thank you event for the Gateway Coalition EITC volunteers. Deanne said the Library was grateful for Russ Signorino's help running the program and that the tax assistance they provided at the Library was very successful. They plan to offer tax assistance again next year at the Library.

Deanne reported that Librarians from the Carbondale Public Library visited for a tour of the facilities.

I. Unfinished Business:

None.

J. New Business:

Deanne reported that Kansas Street will be closed and the parking lot will be open on Saturday June 9th for the Route 66 Festival. The Library will remain open for the duration of the Festival which runs at the City Park from Friday June 8th through Saturday June 9th.

Deanne noted that Bob LaRose and Gary Denue are up for Mayoral reappointment as Library Board members. She has notified Mayor Niebur's office that they are willing to serve another term. JoAnn Nabe is also up for reappointment, but is she out of town at this time and will be contacted later for her response.

K. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned by President LaRose at 7:55 p.m.