

Providence Community Library
Board of Directors minutes
March,21 2011
South Providence Library

1. Welcome and Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:1 pm by Marcus Mitchell. Secretary Linda Kushner took a roll call of the board members, noting that 11 trustees were present making a quorum.

Present: Joan Dagle, Alan Gunther, Linda Kushner, Rochelle Lee, Mark McKenney, Marcus Mitchell, Patricia Raub, Maureen Romans, Ellen Schwartz, , Cyndie Wilmot and Ken Wise.

Absent: Christian Caldarone, Gonzalo Cuervo, Dale Gorton, Althea Graves, Ann Keefe, Owen Johnson, Sharon Simpson, Chris Suchmann.

Jim Barnes, the Board representative from the Knight Memorial has submitted his resignation due to conflicts with his work schedule. His resignation was accepted with regret.

2. Minutes from March 1 2010

There were no corrections to the minutes of the March 1, 2011 board meeting. Cyndie Wilmot moved that the minutes be accepted. The motion was seconded Mark McKenney and passed unanimously.

3. Director's report.

Laura Marlane Interim Executive Director reported that the RI Center for the Book which coordinates Read across RI will be moving from PPL to PCL. She also reported on a myriad of programs being offered at PCL libraries. See attached report.

4. Treasurers Report

Treasurer Ellen Schwartz presented the Income statement for the 8 months ending Feb 28, 2011 (attached.) We are two thirds through the fiscal year. We are raising funds and spending within the guidelines of our budget but we have not yet received the \$100,000 non-payroll payment due from the City for the 3rd quarter. We also have not received from the City the money budgeted for payroll but saved because the position of the unfilled administrative position.

Rochelle Lee moved that the report be accepted. The motion was seconded by Cyndie Wilmot and after discussion passed unanimously.

5. Development Report

Steve Kumins reported that we are having our Gala Event "Laughing in the Library" fundraiser at Knight Memorial Library on Friday March 25th and invited all to attend if possible.

There will also be a limited raffle, featuring a stay in New York City over Labor Day Weekend. Tickets are \$50. The winner will receive hotel accommodations at the Library Hotel, museum passes, plus \$200 cash to spend as he/she wishes. Tickets will be available at the Gala and will

be sold until the drawing on May 2ndst. Board members are encouraged to buy and help sell the tickets.

6. Personnel report.

President, Marcus Mitchell has appointed the following persons to the Search Committee for an Executive Director: Joan Dagle; Chris Caldarone, Cyndie Wilmot, Ken Wise and himself.

7. Facilities report

Sue Gibbs gave a Maintenance Update'. Bad weather and decrepit buildings have forced a continuous stream of repairs. See attach report. The front steps at Knight Memorial Library have shifted and cracked to the point that they are dangerous. 2 patrons have been injured.

7. Friends Committee Report.

Maureen Romans reported that arrangements have been made for two fund raising events for PCL: a PCL PAWSOX fundraiser on June 16th (tickets \$7.00) and a PCL PIZZERIA UNO fundraiser on July 15th and 16th (20% of the proceeds will come to PCL) She also noted that April is the month that Friends groups will sponsor events celebrating staff, and June is the month where the Friends will be recognized.

8. New Business there was none.

9. Public Comment there was none.

10. Executive Session

Linda Kushner moved that the meeting go into executive session under RIGL 42-46-5(5) Ellen Schwartz seconded motion.

The Board discussed the implications of the end of leases between the City and PPL on June 30, 2011 which provide for the City to rent Knight Memorial, Mount Pleasant, Olneyville Rochambeau Smith Hill, Washington Park, and Wanskuck libraries from PPL to that date.

Motion by Mark McKenney seconded by Patricia Raub, to return to open session.

Voting in favor: Joan Dagle, Alan Gunther, Linda Kushner, Rochelle Lee, Mark McKenney, Marcus Mitchell, Patricia Raub, Maureen Romans, Ellen Schwartz, Cyndie Wilmot and Ken Wise.

Opposed: none. Abstaining none. The motion passed unanimously

11. Adjournment

Patricia Raub moved, and Cyndie Wilmot seconded that the meeting adjourn. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:50p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Kushner
Secretary