

HARVEY PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT'S BOARD MINUTES
October 11, 2012

President Turner called the meeting to order at 6pm.

Members Present: Barbara Fields, Roberta Patterson, Keith Price, and Annette Turner.

Absent: Marion Beck, Eric Patterson and Joyce Kellogg-Weaver.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: President Turner made the motion to approve the September 13, 2012 minutes and was seconded by Trustee B. Fields.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Barbara Fields, Roberta Patterson, and Annette Turner.

Nays: Keith Price

Absent: Eric Patterson, Joyce Kellogg-Weaver and Marion Beck.

Motion Carried.

Attorney Jarad wanted a correction made to what she said in the September 18, 2012, special meeting minutes. Attorney Jarad informed the board that the library is not non-home rule. With the library being a non-home rule library there are things that do not apply to us. Attorney Jarad will explain further at a later date.

President Turner made the motion to approve the September 18, 2012, special meeting minutes and was seconded by Trustee B. Fields. President Turner then rescinded her motion on the September 18, 2012, minutes to be dealt with at a later date.

Trustee E. Patterson arrived at 6:07pm.

Approval of Bills and Accounts: President Turner made the motion to approve the bills and was seconded by Trustee K. Price.

Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Barbara Fields, Eric Patterson, Keith Price and Annette Turner.

Abstained: Roberta Patterson

Absent: Joyce Kellogg-Weaver and Marion Beck.

Motion Carried.

Correspondence: None

President Turner asked that the amount of money estimated to be necessary to be raised by taxation in 2012 be put in this month's packet so all trustees could review it and be ready to vote on it at the next meeting.

Trustee K. Price wanted to know when the Board can be re-organized to which President Turner responded that it can be re-organized at any time.

President Turner informed the Board that she has the form to write-up the director. It was decided that the form, which has only one signature line on it, needs to go to executive session to be discussed.

Reports of Trustees/Committees:

Building & Grounds: No Report.

Finance:	September ending Balances:	IL Funds Special Reserve	\$22.46
		IL Funds Gift Account	\$5,443.49
		IL General Fund	\$1,124,900.44
		Citizens Vendor Acct.	\$14,698.90
		Citizens Expense Acct.	\$3,556.27

Planning: Just a reminder to turn in your report on what you would like to see done to the new library.

There was a short discussion on what is "Who's Who in America". The Director explained that it is a reference set and gives short biographies of people.

Trustee B. Fields asked the Assistant Director to give some feedback on her programs. The Assistant Director informed the Trustees about the following:

Excel computer class – 4 classes meeting on Tuesdays and Thursdays to learn the basics of Excel.

Fall Reading Club – Read anything, earn 30 points and select a prize.

Breast Cancer Awareness Month – Read something different that you haven't taken out and get a token.

Trustee B. Fields wanted to know if the library could buy small items to generate some income.

President Turner informed the Board that each department has its own budget and this is something they could do or better yet if we had a Friends of the Library group this is something they would do. All agreed that this was a good idea. Trustee B. Fields informed the group that she has written letters to people to become Friends of the Library and President Turner asked to see their responses. Trustee Fields will get back to President Turner with the information.

President Turner and Secretary R. Patterson attended the ILA Conference and one of the sessions they attended informed them that the state has run out of money and doesn't have funds to give to grants that were approved. Citizens assume we have the 16 million dollars for the building project and we don't. We also have had short falls in collecting tax monies since 2006. And in her personal opinion getting any money from the state is null and void.

Trustee Price informed the Board that the owners of the Watson Chevrolet property are interested in selling and that he is willing to check into it. President Turner asked the Building & Grounds committee to look for other ideas. Trustee Price said the bottom line is we just don't have \$16 million dollars. President Turner informed the Board at some point we are going to have to make a decision on the building project. Trustee E. Patterson asked if we could go down on the amount needed and got a yes response. The Attorney said the whole procedure would start all over again; preliminary plan, estimated cost of the project etc. The referendum is good until April 2016. Trustee R. Patterson asked if this could start again in the New Year. After another discussion Trustee E. Patterson left at 6:42pm. President Turner would like to clear the docket to deal with this issue and the referendum. Trustee Price left at 6:43pm.

Due to lack of a quorum the meeting was adjourned at 6:47pm