

Richland Community Library Board Minutes April 18, 2012

Members Present: Cynthia Berg, Chris Cupper, Judy Hobson, Raenell Kent, Patrice Mindock, Larry Williams

Members Absent: None

Others Present: Kay LaPierre

Call to order: President Williams called the meeting to order at 6:04 PM.

Public Comment: None

Guests: Doug Jonas

Review Minutes of March 21, 2012: Minutes from the previous meeting were presented. A motion was made to accept the minutes as presented. (Hobson/Berg) The motion was approved.

Friend of the Library Report: None

Financial Report: The statement of revenues and expenses for the six months ending March 31st was presented in addition to the statement of disbursements for the month of March. A motion was made to approve the financial report as presented. (Berg/Kent) The motion was approved.

Director's Report: Mrs. Carter facilitated a monthly book discussion on *The Secret River* by Kate Grenville on April 12th with ten participants. Mrs. Jasiak and Ms. Glas facilitated a Magic show at the church on Wednesday, April 4th and a follow-up workshop at the Library on Thursday, April 5th. We seem to be having a problem with DVD thefts and will address this issue at the next staff meeting on April 20th. The Director met with the Gull Lake Community Schools Performing Arts Foundation April 10th, attended a Southwest Michigan Library Cooperative Council meeting in Cassopolis on April 12th, and met with the Director of the Hastings Public Library on April 13th.

Committee Reports:

- a. Budget Planning for 2012-2013: It was agreed the Budget Committee will meet before the May Board meeting.
- b. Meeting date for Budget Committee: The Budget Committee agreed to meet Thursday, May 3rd at 8:00 AM at The Parkview. Marsha Drouin and Brenda Lauer, members of the committee will also be notified of this meeting.
- c. Personal Property Tax impact on Budget: Discussion centered on bills before the state House and Senate. It was the opinion of the Board that these bills while they

are aimed at small businesses, will not have a major impact on the operation of the Library.

Old Business:

- a. Tribute to Board Member Jill Gould: A book has been purchased to honor the memory of former Board member Jill Gould. *Live your Dash*, by Linda Ellis will be placed in the circulating collection of the Library.

New Business:

- a. Trustee search update: In checking with the Village, Doug Jonas reports there is no conflict of interest in him serving on the Library Board. A motion was made to extend an invitation to Mr. Jonas to join the Board. (Cupper/Hobson) The motion was approved; Mr. Jonas accepted the invitation to join the Board, filling the position of former Trustee Gould, which expires October 2014.
- b. Meeting time for May 16th Board Meeting: A motion was made to move the meeting time of the May meeting to 5:30 PM to accommodate scheduling conflicts for two people. (Mindock/Cupper) The motion was approved.
- c. Other New Business: Advertisements for an Administrative Assistant will be posted in the near future.

Adjournment: There being no further business before the Board, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 6:52 PM. (Kent/Berg) The motion was approved. The next Board meeting is scheduled for May 16, 2012, at 5:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Cupper, Secretary

Larry Williams, President