

# CHEBOYGAN AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES AGENDA

May 12, 2011 9:00 a.m.

Held in the Cheboygan Area Public Library

Call to order and attendance	Action
Approval of minutes	Action
Financial report, including payment of bills	Action
Director's Report	
Financial Fitness meeting	Report
State Aid discussion Sen. Walker	Report
Committee Reports	
Personnel Committee	
Director Review	Action
Director Contract	Action
Policy Committee	
Schedule meeting	
Building & Site Committee	
Lighting staff space lower level	Report
Water damage lower level	Report
Budget & Finance Committee	
Library Foundation	Report
Budget Hearing Resolution	Action
Other Business	
Citizen's Comments	
Adjournment	Action

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**Meeting Minutes:** Thursday April 14, 2011

Board President Dawn Barr called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. Board members present: Dawn Barr, Dick Wheelock, Ruth Gainor, Danny Faircloth, Mary Kronberg, Phyllis Beyer and Agnes Blaskowski. Also present Library Director Mark Bronson.

Phyllis Beyer moved to approve the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting. Agnes Blaskowski supported the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Financial Report:**

Phyllis Beyer read the Treasurer's Report, financial statements, and Prepaid Bills. Ruth Gainor moved to accept the Treasurer's Report and approve the Prepaid Bills. Mary Kronberg supported the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Director's Report**

Mark reported on the April 1 MLA board meeting. MLA has sought a legal opinion concerning the case between the Library of Michigan and the Herrick District Library. The legal opinion supported the Herrick Library and recommended that MLA issue a statement reflecting the organizations support. MLA has officially announced that it will support the Herrick library as the case goes forward.

There was much discussion concerning state funding for libraries. State Aid provides most of the funding for library cooperatives and at the current funding proposal most cooperatives would only be able to remain open for about another 18 months.

Also of concern is that MeL and MeLCat are funded by federal money, that funding level is predicated on the level of state support to libraries. The state must show a "Maintenance of Effort" to continue to receive the federal funding. The current state wide contract for MeL Databases costs about \$5,000,000 if each library had to pick up the same service individually they would cost about \$72,000,000.

Mark reported on the Library Directors summit on April 8<sup>th</sup>. Sessions discussed future trends for libraries and how we continue to make them relevant for the public in the future.

Mark reported a renewed effort to build Core Collection titles. The Friends are helping with this project and pulled titles from their collection and also visited used book stores in the region. The Friends have committed \$400 for this project.

The library received a check from the state for the supplemental state aid approved last fall. The rumor in the field is that state aid funds for the current fiscal year are started to be distributed.

Mark reported on the projected expenses for the MPSERS defined benefit plan.

Mark reported that the library will receive a refund disbursement from the building insurance company.

The e-book project is progressing, training will be held in May and records will be added beginning in mid-May.

#### Committee Reports:

##### Personnel Committee:

Copies of the Director review were distributed and discussion and voting were tabled to the May meeting.

Dawn Barr left the meeting at 9:50a.m. and Dick Wheelock conducted the remainder of the meeting.

##### *Policy Committee:*

Agnes Blaskowski asked if there was a need to update or revise any policies. The policies are solid, but there will need to be some minor revisions and the committee will meet soon.

##### *Building & Site Committee:*

Landscaping of the staff parking lot will start soon.

Discussion was held discussing the need to reseal both of the library parking lots.

##### *Budget & Finance Committee:*

**Citizen's Comments:** There were no citizens present.

**Adjournment:** At 9:50a.m., Danny Faircloth made a motion to adjourn, Ruth Gainor supported the motion. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark Bronson