

MINUTES

OAKLAND COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD

November 28, 1990

The meeting of the Oakland County Library Board was called to order at 3:05 p.m., November 28, 1990.

1. ROLL CALL.

Board Members Present: C. Hugh Dohany, Donald Jensen, The Hon. Steven Andrews, Dr. William Keane, Robert Tera, Robert Gaylor.

Quorum Present.

Also in Attendance: Joe Mullen, Library Coordinator; Phyllis Jose, County Librarian; Richard Beer, Law Library; Malcolm Hill, WOLF; Carole Hund, Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped; Helen Hanger, Library Coordinator's secretary; Beverly Papai, Farmington Community Library.

Excused: Yvonne Gold, Institutional Library Technician; Cathy Weiss, Literacy Council.

2. ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL TO THE AUDIENCE.

No one in the audience wished to be heard.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES.

Resolution #90-39: Tera moved that the minutes of the October 17, 1990, meeting be approved. Andrews seconded. Motion carried.

4. REPORTS TO THE BOARD.

A. WAYNE-OAKLAND LIBRARY FEDERATION - Hill.

Written report, statistics noted and filed.

Hill informed the Board that, because the Oakland County Reference Library now receives state aid for 250 people, they will no longer be considered a special contract member of WOLF but instead a member library and would be billed as such, saving the Board several thousand dollars a year.

Board members discussed the proposed changes to the WOLF Coop Plan. Jose sits on the subcommittee that is rewriting the section on the selection process of the WOLF Board members and asked for comments. Concerns were expressed by Board members in reference to changes that may be made to the selection process.

Resolution #90-40: Tera moved that Chairperson Dohany send a letter to Michael Deller, Chairperson of the WOLF Advisory Council, containing the Board's concerns and recommendations. Gaylor seconded. Motion carried.

Hill reminded Board members of the WOLF Open House on Wednesday, December 5, from 1 to 8 p.m.

A lawsuit, naming WOLF as a defendant, has been filed regarding the incident last spring in which a Canton second grader hanged himself after viewing a film from the Wayne Intermediate School District collection, which is housed by WOLF.

B. LIBRARY FOR THE BLIND AND PHYSICALLY HANDICAPPED (LBPH) - Hund.

Written report, statistics, handouts noted and filed.

Hund introduced Beverly Papai, Director of the Farmington Community Library, who briefly reviewed the Farmington Community Library Audit and Management Report with the Board and discussed her concerns regarding loss of categorical grants for the subregionals. The Board identified two possible sources to offset this loss in revenue: increased state funding and additional support from the County. The Board asked Papai to keep them informed on the status of state funding legislation. In developing the 1992-93 County budget, the Board will consider requesting additional funds for the Subregional's operations.

C. INSTITUTIONAL LIBRARY TECHNICIAN - (Gold excused).

Written report, statistics noted and filed.

D. LITERACY PROJECT - (Weiss excused).

Written report, statistics noted and filed.

Jose noted that Weiss was attending a JPTA meeting. Jose distributed expenditure reports for the Fiscal Year Oct. 1 1989 - Sept. 30, 1990 and for the month of October, 1990, and the monthly powerbase statistics.

E. COUNTY LIBRARIAN - Jose.

Written report, statistics noted and filed.

Jose asked the Board to adopt a resolution to approve submittal of an LSCA I grant application for the Literacy Project.

Resolution #90-41: Andrews moved to approve submitting an LSCA I grant application for the Literacy Project. Tera seconded. Motion carried.

F. LAW LIBRARY DIRECTOR - Beer.

Written report, statistics noted and filed.

Beer is going in for an operation and will not be able to attend the next meeting.

5. APPROVAL OF THE BILLS.

Resolution #90-42: Andrews moved to approve payment of the Reference and Law Library bills. Tera seconded. Motion carried.

6. CORRESPONDENCE.

- A. Letter from Dohany to Mrs. Carl Barton of West Bloomfield thanking her for underwriting the costs for the books selected by the Library staff from the AAUW Used Book Sale.
- B. Letter from Dohany to Linda Sickles, Director, Orion Township Library, thanking her for allowing the Library staff to select materials from their used book sale.
- C. Press release from Waterford Township Public Library to the Oakland County Library Board regarding a "Photo Contest to Focus on Joy of Reading." The contest is for amateur photographers and entries will be accepted December 1, 1990, through January 7, 1991.
- D. Letter from Hill to Jose informing her that the Oakland County Library would no longer be considered a special contract member of WOLF but, instead a member library.
- E. Copy of Consent Judgment and Order of Dismissal in the C. Hugh Dohany, Oakland County Treasurer vs. Judges of the 50th District Court, 50th District Court Administrator and city of Pontiac case involving distribution of penal fine moneys.

F. Letter from Joann Wilcox to Oakland County Board of Commissioners Chairman Roy Rewold resigning from the Library Board, since her legal residence is now in Florida, and thanking him for the opportunity to serve on the Library Board.

7. OLD BUSINESS.

Keane reported on his research regarding the possibility of funding a library building program through foundation grants. Discussion followed. It was the consensus of the Board that this was not a viable source of funding to pursue at this time.

8. NEW BUSINESS.

There was no new business.

9. CONFIRM DECEMBER MEETING DATE.

The next meeting of the Library Board will be held on Wednesday, December 19, at 3:00 p.m.

10. ADJOURNMENT.

The meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

C. Hugh Dohany, Chairperson

Robert Gaylor, Secretary