

# MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

## Siouxland Libraries

Main Library

Wednesday, March 5, 2008

1. Roll Call and declaration of quorum. The meeting was called to order by Marcie Moran at 4:30. Present: Cindy Heiberger, Tom Houle, Jill Molzen-Biegler, Carol Twedt, Debbie Reid and Sally Felix, Library Director. Staff present: Joan Reddy.
2. Motion by Heiberger and seconded by Houle to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Houle and seconded by Reid to approve the minutes of the November meeting. Motion carried.
4. Financial and Statistical reports. The 2008 expenditures are on track. Circulation continues to increase at Caille and at Hartford with the opening of the new library. Felix called the Board's attention to the inclusion of use stats for the various downloadable collections.
5. Library Director and Staff Reports. Felix reported some personnel changes due to a staff retirement. A part-time Library Clerk position at Main Circulation has been changed to a full-time Library Assistant in the same location. Use of the new Overdrive program is going well. Houle stated that upon learning of this new service he purchased an MP3 player and has been greatly enjoying downloading books. The Library has started the 2009 budget process. There may be some opportunities to do some facility work at the Crooks Branch due to an increase in funds available from the county library tax fund. At this time, the Library staff is looking at replacing the roof and improving the parking lot. On the operating side, the Library is considering a request to use some of these funds for additional hours at several rural branches.

On the City side in 2009, the Library is requesting funds for roof replacement at Caille and for new building security systems at Caille and Ronning. Funds are also being requested for the new Westside Branch Library with design in 2010 and construction in 2011-2012. Estimated cost of the Branch is \$4.1 million. This includes architect and engineering services, building construction, furniture and equipment and library materials.

This year, Caille's parking lot will be replaced as well as some of the HVAC system.

6. Public Input. No members of the public were present.
7. Unfinished business
  - a. Moves 1 and 2 at the Main Library have taken place. The staff is busily working on vacating the north area of the building prior to construction. Construction bids will be opened March 13.
8. New Business

Felix presented a PowerPoint presentation that she had done for the members of the County Commission that reviewed the rural library program of Siouxland Libraries. Felix also stated that the year 2010 will mark 50 years of public library service in Minnehaha County. Twedt stated how proud she is of our progressive community and the changes that have resulted in the library merger and how positive they have been for both City and County residents.

The next meeting will be on May 14, 2008, 4:30 p.m. at the Colton Branch Library.

The meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.