MINUTES REGULAR MEETING OF THE LIVERPOOL PUBLIC LIBRARY DECEMBER 2, 2009

Trustees present: Spadafore, Alessio, Spado, Dunstone, Dodge, and Scavone.

**Absent: Ward** 

Staff: Polly, Director and Morgan, Clerk to the Board

Others: Staff, M. Toscano, President of the Friends of the Library, and G. Howe,

Vice-President.

## **COMMUNITY COMMENT MEETING**

Spadafore called a Community Comment Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Since there were no questions or concerns from those in attendance, Spadafore requested a motion to close the meeting. Dodge made a motion and Scavone seconded to close the Community Comment Meeting at 6:33 p.m.

## **REGULAR MEETING**

A. Call to order

President Spadafore called the regular meeting to order at 6:34 pm.

- B. Salute to the United States Flag.
- C. No Correspondence
- D. No Agenda Change
- E. Consent Agenda
- 1. Approval of November 4, 2009 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
- 2. Approval of Monthly Bills for November.
- 3. Appointment of Johanna Fay, part-time page position filling an existing vacancy. Dunstone made a motion and Spado seconded to approve the Consent Agenda. All were in favor.
- F. Reports to the Board
- 1. Friends report: President Toscano
  - Holiday Extravaganza December 5th and 6<sup>th</sup>.
  - More paperbacks in the lobby.
  - The Friends are accepting magazine donations for its January fundraiser.
- 2. Staff report: Sprague reported that Chris' Flowers Etc. donated two 42" wreaths for the outside of the library. Chris is showing her wreaths for sale in the library's lobby.
- 3. Treasurer's report.

The Board received copies of the November 27, 2009 Expenditure and Revenue Reports. Dunstone reported on the library's financial status. No official 2009 balance sheet has been received from the LCSD.

- 4. President's report:
  - Spadafore announced that Scavone had received a promotion to the position of Principal for Alternative Education for Cayuga-Onondaga BOCES.

- The library's new part-time page will be introduced to the Board at its January Board Mtg.
- 5. Director's report: In addition to the written report
  - Since moving the coffee machine from the vending room to the Reading Area the Friends have raised more than \$31.00 in less than a month. Selling of coffee is another fundraiser of the Friends of the Library.
  - The Central NY Library Resource Council's annual Legislative Breakfast will be held on Friday, December 4 in the Curtin Auditorium of the Onondaga County Public Library in downtown Syracuse.
  - Y. Hewitt is working on appointments to visit local State Legislators. Any trustee able to attend is welcomed.
  - The trustees received invitations to the Staff Holiday Party.

# 6. OCPL/Advisory Board Meeting No report.

- G. Items for Discussion and Action
- 1. Community Comment Meeting follow-up: No discussion.
- 2. Budget 2010-2011: first draft of the preliminary budget

The Board received draft budgets showing increases of zero, one, and two percent as requested. Morgan presented a slide presentation with information on past and current budget and their community impacts including future projections for the 2010-2011 budget. Based on the Board's subsequent discussions, revised budgets will be presented and reviewed in January.

3. Policy for First Reading: Open Forum Spado made a motion and Dunstone seconded to approve the Open Forum Policy for First Reading. No further discussion. All were in favor.

#### H. Open Forum

M. Toscano commended that the new steps on the Tulip Street entrance looked very nice. Both Toscano and Howe informed the Board that they have heard positive comments about the library from the community, especially during National Library Week, when the Friends staff a lobby booth. But at the same time there are concerns about increases in taxes.

I. Board ForumNo report

### J. Adjournment

Scavone made a motion and Dodge seconded to adjourn the meeting. Spadafore adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Clerk to the Board of Trustees

**NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING: JANUARY 6, 2010**