

**Board of Trustees
Ilsley Public Library
Wednesday, April 29, 2015
Community Room, Ground floor of library
Minutes**

Board members in attendance:

Maria Graham, Rebekah Irwin, Chris Watters, Skylar Atkins, John Freidin.

Also in attendance: Lorrie Muller, President of the Friends and Kevin Unrath, Director.

Meeting commenced at 8:08

Public & Board Comments - None

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

March minutes accepted unanimously as corrected for spelling.

Friends Report

Ms. Muller reported that the Friends have installed a new poster with flyers near the inside book return, as well as new signs for the book sale and new bookmarks with updated giving levels. All efforts were warmly appreciated by the board.

Trustees' Financial Report

Accepted unanimously as submitted by Mr. Watters. Mr. Watters asked that Mr. Unrath report to the board on spending from the Trust/Agency account on at least an annual basis.

Librarian's Report from the Director

Mr. Unrath noted that the new Digital Media Lab and new online resources (Freegal and Overdrive Advantage) were all seeing significant use by the public. He noted that parking issues will continue during construction and that the library is making provisions to allow for customer returns during busy times, including car-side pickup and an express parking spot. Mr. Unrath will also be meeting with Dan Werner of Middlebury Public Works to explore adding additional spots in the lot behind the library if possible.

Old Business

Mr. Freidin presented notes on the first two EDI public input sessions, noting that public input was wide-ranging. The next meeting will be Monday, May 4th 2015 at 6:30 in the Ilsley Community Room.

A monthly update on construction was requested for future board meetings, which Mr. Unrath will provide.

Mr. Freidin also relayed that the Library Building Committee needs clear guidance as to the strategic direction of the board. With this in mind, the trustees agreed to hold a special board meeting next Friday, May 8th from 8 – 9:15 at Ilsley focused on the strategic planning process.

New Business

Mr. Unrath presented the board with the option to join the Homecard consortium, a group of 18 libraries in Chittenden, Franklin and Addison counties which allow for reciprocal borrowing among patrons. The board unanimously approved joining Homecard, pending an investigation by Mr. Unrath into whether there is qualifying criteria (e.g. State minimum standards) for libraries who join (*Update*: there is currently no qualifying criteria, but the idea of adding some will be put before the consortium libraries and the Homecard coordinator will get back to Mr. Unrath when the vote is taken).

The Memorial Day Parade float will be a joint MCTV/Ilsley affair this year, with plans to have a superhero themed group. T-shirts are being ordered. If anyone wants to march, show up at the parking lot for the college art museum at 8:00am that morning.

Scheduling of Next Meeting

The next regular board meeting will be Wednesday, May 20th at 8am in the Community Room. The special strategic planning meeting will be Friday, May 8th at 8am in the Community Room.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kevin Unrath