

LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD—FINAL**APRIL 12, 2007**

A Regular Meeting of the Troy Library Board was held on Thursday, April 12, 2007 in the Office of the Library Director. Lynne Gregory, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:30 P.M.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Heather Eisenbacher
Kul B. Gauri
Lynne Gregory
Nancy Wheeler
Audre Zembrzuski

Arthi Krishna, Student Representative
Shruthi Subramanian, Student Representative

Meaghan Battle, Assistant Library Director

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was given.

Resolution #LB-2007-04-01

Moved by Zembrzuski
Seconded by Wheeler

RESOLVED, That Minutes of March 8, 2007, be approved, with changed proposed by Gauri to indicate that the Library Expansion Resolution has not yet been passed.

Yes: 5—Eisenbacher, Gauri, Gregory, Wheeler, Zembrzuski

No: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Reviewed Agenda entries

Gauri asked that an item be added to the agenda, thanking Brian Stoutenburg and Meaghan Battle for their leadership.

Resolution #LB-2007-04-02

Moved by Wheeler
Seconded by Zembrzuski

RESOLVED, That the Agenda be approved, with the addition proposed by Gauri.

Yes: 5—Eisenbacher, Gauri, Gregory, Wheeler, Zembrzuski

No: 0

MOTION CARRIED

POSTPONED ITEMS

There were no Postponed items.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Library Facility Discussion: There was discussion about a new Library facility, as it relates to the information provided to City Council by City Manager Phil Nelson in the City Council Action report of 3/12/2007, subject: Library Issues. The Library Advisory Board discussed the types of funding addressed in the report, and indicated that there may even be more options than thoroughly highlighted in the report of the City Manager. The group also discussed how to handle this City Council Action Report. It was determined that the Library Advisory Board would vote to accept and receive the report.

Resolution #LB-2007-04-03

Moved by Zembrzuski
Seconded by Gregory

RESOLVED, THAT the Library Advisory Board accepts and receives the City Council Action Report of 3/12/2007, Subject: Library Issues.

Yes: 5—Eisenbacher, Gauri, Gregory, Wheeler, Zembrzuski

No: 0

MOTION CARRIED

- B. Library Expansion Resolution: The Library Advisory Board revisited the language of a resolution drafted at the March meeting regarding a potential expansion of the Troy Public Library. It was determined that information contained in the Friends of the Library report farther down on the agenda would bear on this discussion.

Resolution #LB-2007-04-04

Moved by Zembrzuski
Seconded by Gregory

RESOLVED, THAT the Friends of the Library report be moved up to this point in the agenda, so as to contribute information that will bear on the resolution being discussed.

Yes: 5—Eisenbacher, Gauri, Gregory, Wheeler, Zembrzuski

No: 0

MOTION CARRIED

Friends of the Library Report

Mary Kerwin of the Friends of the Troy Public Library shared information about a survey conducted by the Friends at the Kaleidoscope Program in January. 150 random people were asked if it is time for City Council to look into and expansion of the Library or a into the building of a new Library. All 150 responded in the affirmative.

Ms. Kerwin went on to inform the Library Advisory Board that the Friends will be hiring Epic MRA to conduct a telephone survey to determine if the community identifies a new or expanded Library as a “compelling need.” If the response is “yes”, these results will be valid for the potential approval of up to 1 mil. Ms. Kerwin described the survey as being demographically accurate and statistically significant, and that results of surveys such as this conducted by EPIC MRA are known to be accurate within 1% on Election Day.

Ms. Kerwin also asked the Library Advisory Board to communicate to her via phone or email any questions/areas of interest that they would like to see included in this survey. The survey will likely be conducted in the 2nd or 3rd week of May, 2007.

Ms. Kerwin announced the Friends of the Library Annual Membership Meeting on May 15, 2007 at 6:30pm, and invited all Library Advisory Board members to attend.

- C. Library Expansion Resolution (continued): The Library Advisory Board further discussed language for a resolution supporting a Library Expansion. The Board directed Meaghan Battle to email the draft resolution for their consideration so that it could be voted on at the next Library Advisory Board meeting.

REPORTS & COMMUNICATIONS

Director’s Report.

The replacement process for a new Library Director is in process. An offer has been made and accepted, with an anticipated start date of June 4, 2007. This is pending the results of the background check and physical examination.

The 2007 Patron Satisfaction Survey has been conducted. The results indicate continued patron satisfaction with programs, staff, and services at the Troy Public Library. The results also indicate increased dissatisfaction with some or all aspects of the Library facility.

Board Member Comments.

Zembruski noted learning that the Novi Public Library only allows Novi Library Card holders to use their Wireless network.

Wheeler asked if any other Board members were planning to attend the upcoming Legislative Reception in Lansing.

Student Representative Comments

None.

Suburban Library Cooperative.

Gregory reported that Tammy Turgeon, Director of the Suburban Library Cooperative, has resigned to take the position as Director of the Sterling Heights Public Library. The SLC Board has one action item at their last meeting, which was to discuss the extension of the ½ time Interim Director services to TLN. There has been no Board meeting since

Ms. Turgeon's announcement, so the next meeting will include discussions about that.

Gregory also reported that Turgeon attended the SIRSI conference in Colorado.

Friends of the Troy Public Library.

Julie Sigler, Treasurer of the Friends, informed the Library Advisory Board of an upcoming Members Only Event, April 20-22 during regular store hours, at which all members of the Friends would receive 20% savings on their purchases.

Gifts.

None.

Informational Items.

April TPL Calendar.

Contacts and Correspondence.

23 written comments from the public were reviewed.

Public Participation.

There was no public participation.

The Library Board meeting adjourned at 8:55 P.M.

Lynne Gregory
Chairman

Phillip Kwik
Recording Secretary