

Harvey Public Library District's Board Minutes

December 11, 2014

President Price called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Keith Price, JoAnn Nesbitt, Roberta Patterson and Barbara Fields

Absent: Yassim Ali and William Wiley

Approval of Minutes:

Made a motion to approve the November 13, 2014 Board Meeting Minutes and was seconded by Trustee Patterson.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Keith Price, JoAnn Nesbitt, Roberta Patterson and Barbara Fields

Nays:

Trustee Fields agrees to approve the minutes with the adjustment stating a matter of public record that she voted "Nay "on the November 13, 2014 minutes for employee Christmas bonuses because she felt that the amounts should be changed after review to reflect employee merit and time of service. She also states that the amounts were too much according to employee service, time and merit.

Motion Carried.

Approval of Bills and Review of Accounts:

President Price made a motion for approval of bills and was seconded by Trustee Nesbitt.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Keith Price, JoAnn Nesbitt, Roberta Patterson and Barbara Fields

Nays:

Motion Carried.

Correspondence and Announcements:

Director Flowers states that the Mobile Library is up and running. The Outreach Coordinator has already made stops to Senior Buildings where library cards were created and distributed. She also states the Outreach Coordinator will be visiting more Senior Buildings to introduce herself and to hand out newsletters, lists of library services offered and Book/DVD/CD checkout lists. The initial visit will be to have patrons fill out the checkout list and the next visit will be to deliver the library requested material. Director Flowers suggests that a library van be purchased through an auction to deliver library material to patrons once the library construction starts. The trustees agree with Director Flowers suggestion and wants to come up with a name in honor of the late Annette Turner to place on the van.

President Price compliments Director Flowers on her hard work at the Harvey Public Library District stating that he personally feels she is doing a great job as well as her assistant. He also expresses that all the Trustees are doing a good job also.

Director Flower's states that on Family Read Night Michael Jennings and Stantley the Bear attended. She also stated that they were asked to return in February for Black History Month and to bring retired NFL players. She says they will bring and hand out autographed t-shirts for the teens.

President Price asks the board if they would agree to have a celebration for the Harvey Colts after they return from Nationals. He suggests that Michael Jennings and other NFL players be invited to assist in celebrating the Harvey Colts placing on a national level whether they win or lose.

Director Flowers states that Craig Hodges, a retired NBA player was in the building. He was brought by Calvin Fox and she will try to get him back.

Director Flowers reads out loud a letter from the National Football League Alumni Chicago Chapter complimenting the Youth Service Manager for her hard work with the teens and professionalism.

Treasurer's Report

Submit as stated in the Financial Report.

Report of Library Director:

Director Flowers states that there has been good feedback from sponsors since the last report. She discusses the Christmas tree in the Youth Service Department with ornaments of names to be pulled to purchase gifts for Christmas. She states that trustees and the public are welcome to participate.

Director Flowers states that she received feedback on the money for the Washington D.C. trip. She states that there are sponsors for that.

Breakfast with Santa Program on Saturday, December 13, 2014 where children will be fed sausage, pancakes or waffles. There will also be an area where pictures can be taken and purchased.

The Employee Christmas party will be held Friday, December 19, 2014. There will be catered food from D' Mastis Catering Inc. and entertainment for staff. She states all trustees are welcome to attend.

Report of Trustees/Committees:

Trustee Patterson states there is no report for Policy Committee due to the Building Committee taking up a lot of the time with the construction project. She states in January it will be discussed when the Policy Committee will meet.

President Price states for the record that the Building Committee has been working very hard and was able to secure a real estate deal on the property to be demolished for the expansion of the library parking lot. He also states other properties are being viewed for the purpose of the library's expansion.

Director Flowers states that there was a Turkey Bingo Program where they played bingo for turkeys. Trustee Field's states the Turkey Bingo Program went well. Director Flowers agrees that it was a success, but would like to purchase more Turkeys for next year's program.

New Business

Annual Receipts and Disbursements: Director Flowers states that she needs a signature on the legal notice that will be published in the paper on total income received by the library from 7-1-2013 to 6-30-2014. She states the legal notice will be published in the South Town Star newspaper.

President Price made a motion to approve Annual Receipts and Disbursements and was seconded by Trustee Patterson.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Keith Price, JoAnn Nesbitt, Roberta Patterson and Barbara Fields

Nays:

Motion Carried.

Audience Participation:

Mrs. Cathy Messi announced that Thornton Township will have a Holiday dinner this coming Saturday and the public is invited from 11am-3pm at South Suburban College.

Adjourn to Executive Session

No legal business

Trustee Patterson made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by President Price.

Roll Call Vote:

Ayes: Keith Price, JoAnn Nesbitt, Roberta Patterson and Barbara Fields

Nays:

Motion Carried.

Meeting Adjourned at 6:48 p.m.