

Minutes  
International Falls Library Board of Trustees  
March 9, 2011

The meeting was called to order at 4:34 pm by Nancy McBride.

Present: Nancy McBride, Susan Savard, Liz Johnson, Director Diane Adams, Christy Bubolz, Steve Wiley and Emily Whitbeck

Absent: Lee Lepper

Christy moved to accept February's minutes. The motion was seconded by Susan.

Handouts were given of Board of Trustees contact information.  
Thank you from Ward Merrill and Backus A/B for purchase of equipment

Door/head count is up for the library with less media going out per person  
Steady increase in use from 2003 with a peak use in 2009/2010.  
Library use steady with 2008 records.

Projector and screen arrived. Northern Lumber helped offload the 1,000 lb screen.  
Possible news item and photo op of installation thru windows into Backus auditorium.  
Zurkowski Fund balance approximately 175k

No financial report.

Annual Report

City 10% delinquent on property taxes which in turn shorts us 10% of our funding  
Below "maintenance of effort"

Need delinquent amount to file by March 31<sup>st</sup>.

If rebuttal needed will explain property tax issue.

Nancy moved to wait signing documents until they were finalized at next meeting.

6 potential bills in Minnesota Legislature appealing "maintenance of effort" making the city not responsible.

Minneapolis areas not being interested in Legacy money has negative effects up north.

LGA cuts may effect library employment.

Second class full for photography workshop.

Director Adams stresses importance of strong opposition to MLL and LGA cuts.  
Koochiching County provides \$25,000 in funding for Library.

Zurkowski funds used to purchase books and movies.

Received 4 films for festival, four more weeks to go.  
ALS and NENET contract still not signed. NENET has agreed that 10 year contract is too long.

Library put in bids for chairs, cabinets, bulletin boards from old Voyageurs headquarters. If bids won items would be available first week of April. Also placed bids on maps and photos to use in library.

Deb Ciminski has wanted to show students art in library. Linda Joyce has offered to frame and mat the works for display.

Library looks to purchase 36 frames for \$1,200 with Zurkowski fund.  
Nancy requested some deeper frames for different media.

No more museum passes will be purchased until Legacy money is for sure.

Bid for north wall shelves came in from Sheldon Zook \$650 book case \$260 shelves.  
Money for project would come from Library Fund.  
\$600 for 8 more shelves for books on cd

Webinar to encourage parents to read to and with their children. Bremer grant applied for to purchase computer for people to attend webinar.

Table for Junior room ordered for \$2,000 (including shipping) with Zurkowski funds.  
Exploration Island has sides with mirror, driving, temperature drawing pad and maze for children.

March 21<sup>st</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup> is food for fines week. Border State Bank is again matching food brought in and we will make our drop there.

In August a presentation will be held for high school student about Efolios. A more advanced way to hold your accreditations which may encompass videos or art work along with resume. Also will speak on the percentage of employers (70%) who research you online and what your personal social media policy should be.

Kelly green shirts will be ordered for 100 year library celebration and summer reading. Shirts will have 100 year logo with "One World Many Stories" on it.  
Vigilance fund will pay for shirts. Christy recommended purchasing 2 shirts per staff member.

Moved to close meeting at 5:25.