

Dewitt Community Library Draft Minutes February 15, 2015

Meeting was Called to Order at 5:57 p.m. by Steve Lux

**Present:** S. Lux, C. Gantos, N. Brown, L. Wasylenko, R. Young, M. Keib Smith, I. Scruton, M. Havens, J. Modesti, M. Keib-Smith, N. Ross

**Absent :** R. Young, S. Schultz

**Also Present:** Wendy Scott

**Approval of minutes** from January 15. Mary motioned to approve and Irene seconded. 11 in favor, Meisje abstained. Approval of minutes of special meeting January 8. Mary motioned to approve and Steve seconded. 11 in favor, Nina abstained.

**Treasurer's Report- Report attached.**

C. Austin. Carl motioned to accept audit and Meisje seconded. All in favor. Wendy will post to website with annual report.

**New Business: Tax cap discussion-** Wendy Scott. Her comparisons attached. Julian moved that we increase the tax cap by 4% in preparation for new building to be applied to the Board Designated fund for next year. Mary seconded. 10 in favor. 1 against. Passed by majority vote.

**Possible Fast Track of Building Project –** Chunking and beginning of pieces of the building project before other phases are decided on. For example, clearing of the land before building plan is done. Will mean increased architect costs of about \$12,000. If we don't FastTrack, could delay the project construction by months due to seasons that tasks are completed.

Board committed to further discussing the contingency plan for if the library closes, to be on the agenda at the next board meeting.

Feb 26<sup>th</sup> architect meeting on sustainable LEED buildings. Board members are encouraged to be there. More info will be emailed.

**Vote for Board Officers:** Circulated ballot. Board Officers to remain the same.

Board member John Millar is not signing on for another term. The Board wants to thank John Millar for all of his many hours of volunteer service of his time and expertise. It is truly appreciated.

**Building Project Working Groups and Work Flow:** See attached handout. Plan is to empower the committees to make decisions within their role without the entire Board's approval. Mary will look into a way for Board to be able to vote electronically between meetings, which would help expedite larger decisions that the full board needs to be involved in. Julian will help develop language for a motion that would empower the committees for

decision making.

Will need to seek out a replacement for the resigned John Millar on Design Working group committee. Preferably someone knowledgeable in construction. Steve Lux has spoken to someone in the community who is experienced and willing to donate time to the committee. Board discussed and no need to find a replacement for John on the facilities working group committee. Julian willing to do the tasks without a replacement member.

**Director's Report:** Wendy Scott. Done at annual meeting earlier today.

**Announcements:** None

**Correspondence:** None

Period for Public Expression: No public in attendance.

**New Business:** None

At 7:20 pm Julian and seconded by Mary motioned to adjourn.

These minutes are presented in draft form and will be presented at the March, 2015 meeting for approval.

Christene Gantos, Secretary