

Ella Johnson Memorial Public Library District
Minutes of the January 25, 2010 Regular Meeting

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Ella Johnson Memorial Public Library District was called to order at 7:35 PM by board president Richard Perry with trustees Barbara Brust, Judith Pokorny and Luann Sarro present. Trustees Robert Becker, Tracy Pierce, and Linda Wallace were absent. Also present was adult and teen services manager Heaether Venetucci-Johnson.

There were no additions/corrections to the agenda.

There were no questions/comments from the public/media.

Minutes: Motion Sarro, sec. Pokorny to approve minutes of the December 29, 2009 regular meeting. Brust-yes, Perry-yes, Pokorny-yes, Sarro-yes Motion carried.

Motion Brust, sec. Sarro to approve minutes of the January 9, 2010 committee of the whole meeting. Perry-yes, Pokorny-yes, Sarro-yes, Brust-yes Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Motion Brust, sec. Pokorny to approve bills/payroll for December 2009. Pokorny-yes, Sarro-yes, Brust-yes, Perry-yes Motion carried.

Board treasurer Luann Sarro reported a \$1000 donation to the library from the Hampshire Lions Club.

Director's Report: Adult & Teen Services Manager Heaether Venetucci- Johnson provided a staff report. First book club session was a success with date, time and location agreeable to all. Staff attended Creating Successful Computer Class Curricula for Adults and Seniors and also met with the curator of the Sycamore Historical Museum who provided tips on grants and storage of local history materials. The library is working with the Hampshire Chamber to promote a Show Your Card Campaign. April celebrates National Library Card Week and the month-long promotion would have chamber members giving discounts or perks to people who show their Ella Johnson Memorial library card. A library book sale of discarded nonfiction and duplicates has so far made over \$81. The library will have a table at the Chamber Expo March 20th and 21st.

President's Report: The committee of the whole review of the focus group report has shown the need to profile the library, create public awareness of the size and scope of the district and the various communities we serve. Adult and teen partnership with the schools through local student art displays, small music ensembles, peer tutoring. Encourage and be supportive of a community Friends group. Look at the Route 47 corridor for a single site location. Provide a self-check out system and encourage patron usage. Overall building security system.

Unfinished Business: Trustee Judith Pokorny of the Executive Session Minutes Committee made the recommendation to approve and release certain closed Session Minutes.

Motion Brust, sec. Sarro to approve and release Executive Session minutes from June 22, 2009 and November 23, 2009. Sarro-yes, Brust-yes, Perry-yes, Pokorny-yes Motion carried.

Motion Sarro, sec. Pokorny to approve and adopt a Freedom of Information Act Policy (incl. Organizational Chart and Freedom of Information Request Form) addition to the library's Mission Statement, By-Laws and Policies. Brust-yes, Perry-yes, Pokorny-yes, Sarro-yes Motion carried.

New Business - None

Executive Session not required.

Open Discussion – None

Meeting adjourned at 8:41 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara M. Brust, Secretary