

ARROWHEAD LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD MEETING

Arrowhead Library System Office

March 9, 2011

ALS President Richard Bostwick called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. Also present were Bill Wilson, Eloise Eager, Kristi Howe, Beloit Public Library Director, and ALS Director, Ruth Ann Montgomery.

The February 2011 minutes were approved on a motion by Bill Wilson. Richard Bostwick seconded by Eloise Eager and the motion carried unanimously.

February bills were approved on a motion by Bill Wilson and seconded by Eloise Eager. The motion carried unanimously.

Library Legislative Day is March 22, 2011. Board members were invited to attend. Special issues to be discussed include the Governor's budget proposal to eliminate maintenance of effort; reduction in the funding to library systems and Badgerlink and the broadband grant.

Martha Gammons returned from medical leave on Monday, February 14.

There is still no word on the remaining funds for the LSTA grants. Until the Federal budget is finalized, we will not know if the grants will be fully funded. We have received 25% of the grants.

The Department of Administration has decided not to take the federal grant for the broadband. The contract with AT&T is still not signed. Bob Bocher is hoping to get upgrades to the bandwidth that libraries can get with copper wire, rather than the fiber.

The board workshop had been changed and is now scheduled for Saturday May 21, with John DeBacher.

Eloise Eager made a motion to accept the Hedberg Reference and Resource Library Agreement. Bill Wilson seconded.

The ALS Board meeting will be at the Arrowhead Library System on April 13, 2011.

Bill Wilson moved to adjourn and Eloise Eager seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth Ann Montgomery, Secretary