

ARROWHEAD LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD MEETING

At The Arrowhead Library System Office, 210 Dodge Street, Janesville, WI

September 9, 2009

ALS President John Berg called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m. Present were Karla Nitz, Jane Thompson, Jose Carrillo, Richard Bostwick, Hedberg Public Library Director Bryan McCormick, Orfordville Public Library Director Sarah Strunz Marge Harker, Orfordville Board Member and ALS Director, Ruth Ann Montgomery.

The minutes of the August 2009 meeting of the ALS board were moved approved by Richard Bostwick and seconded by Karla Nitz. The motion carried unanimously.

The bills for the month of September 2009 were reviewed. Jose Carrillo moved to approve the September bills and Richard Bostwick seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Marge Harker, President of the Orfordville Library Board welcomed the ALS Board to Orfordville. She reported that Orfordville Public Library has purchased land for a new library. They have placed a sign on the property, "Future Home of the Orfordville Public Library." School groups have offered to help with fund raising for the library. The Friends of the Orfordville Public Library hope to raise \$500,000-750,000. The Friends have a quilt raffle in progress.

There have already been book discussions at Clinton Public Library and in September there are sessions at Eager Free, Hedberg, and Orfordville using the books Nickled and Dimed and The Glass Castle to encourage discussion about poverty. ALS is working with the Vision 2020 committee to have discussion leaders available at each library.

Institute for Museums and Libraries was auditing the State LSTA grants and Ruth Ann and Jean Yeomans from Hedberg Public Library met with Mike Cross, Terrie Howe and the auditor from the Institution to talk about the LSTA grants that ALS and Hedberg have received during the last couple of years. One of the JOBS computer training session was in progress during the visit.

For the 2010 budget, Karla Nitz, moved to approve the 2010 Intersystem Agreement with Lakes Shores. Jose Carrillo seconded motion carried.

There are four LSTA 2010 grants that were submitted this week. ALS will receive notice in November or December if the grants are approved.

A grant for stimulus money has been submitted by the Department of Administration for fiber connections to each public library and school in the state. The Go Gig grant sponsored by WISNET will be submitted in the second round of grants later this year. ALS supports these grants and will continue to be a participant in discussions and grant applications. The Wisconsin Public Library Consortium is also considering applying for stimulus money that will be used for computer training in public libraries.

Richard Bostwick moved to adjourn and the motion was seconded by Karla Nitz. The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth Ann Montgomery, Secretary