

Otsego District Library Board of Trustees Meeting February 21, 2006

The meeting was called to order by Vice President John Chapman at 7:00 p.m. Present were Diana Gilmer, Renny Ransbottom, Sharon Tans, John Chapman, Nancy Seibert and Director, Ryan Wieber. Donna Beach was absent.

The minutes of the January meeting were approved with a correction to the paragraph regarding outdoor sign options. Paragraph should read as follows: "The motion was made by Sharon, seconded by Renny. Motion carried."

Correspondence – Nancy presented a letter from the City of Otsego notifying her of reappointment to the Library Board, her new term to expire December 2009.

Some discussion was held at this time as to the possibility of scanning past Board minutes onto CD's to eliminate the paper storage required for old minutes and miscellaneous papers.

Circulation and expenditure reports for January 2006 were presented with a motion to approve by Diana, seconded by Sharon. Motion carried.

Revenue report for January 2006 and Treasurers report for January 31, 2006 were presented. Renny made a motion to approve with a correction pending on the AG Edwards interest rate and National City interest rate and date. Sharon seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Some discussion was held on Library Policy language regarding the limit on total amount of money invested per financial institution. (Currently the limit is set at \$100,000). The question was brought up of whether it should be changed? Ryan will check with other libraries to see what their policy is and also will check with the Library of Michigan.

Organized programs – The Mother Daughter Tea was held February 11 and was well attended. Light Houses of Michigan had approximately ten persons in attendance. The children's free film this week will be Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. The Adult film recently held, "March of the Penguins" had a good attendance. Another adult film will be held next Tuesday. On March 6 a program on the invasion of the Emerald Ash Borer will be held. Internet Genealogy on the computer will be held March 18. The recent program, Keeping Up With Technology, was only attended by two persons. Tomorrow at Royal Estates, an open house will be held with books from the Library. Prizes will be given out. John's mom, Joanne Chapman is helping with this.

Ryan gave a run down on his Director's update. He reports the free tax appointments are going good and are very busy. Volunteers from AARP and United Way are helping with this.

Nonfiction shelving update—Ryan reports it is not finished—looks good but still missing parts.

Ryan reported in regards to the video and sound system proposal an additional \$536.00 is needed for a rack to mount on the wall. (It wasn't included in the original estimate for the system, and the original

motion was made for the amount not to exceed \$10,000.00.) A motion to approve the additional \$536.00 for a wall-mounted rack was made by Diana, seconded by Renny. Motion carried.

Brief discussion was held on the Allegan County Community Foundation report. Ryan will call on questions regarding the amount available to us, if any, or what the total proceeds are to date, is the amount earned and reinvested available to us and what is the limit available. Also, is there a penalty?

Other – Election of Library Board officers for 2006 are as follows:

President – John Chapman
Vice President – Renny Ransbottom
Treasurer – Diana Gilmer
Secretary – Nancy Seibert

A motion to approve the above nominations was made by Sharon, seconded by Diana. Motion carried.

A motion to adjourn was made by Sharon, seconded by Renny. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Seibert, Secretary