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Standing Committee on Outreach • Board of Trustees • Batavia Public Library District

Special Meeting

Friday • 9 January 2009

1. **Call to Order**

Trustee Larson called the meeting to order at 7:44 a.m. in the Elizabeth L. Hall Conference Room of the Batavia Public Library.

2. **Call the Roll**

Committee Members Present: Maureen A. Jakubowski, Ann L. Larson, and Edward F. Skahan

Committee Members Absent: None

Other Trustees Present: None

Staff Members Present: Director George H. Scheetz, Michele M. Martzel, and Joanne C. Zillman

Visitors Present: None

3. **Approve the Agenda**

Motion by Trustee Skahan to approve the agenda, as presented. Seconded by Trustee Jakubowski. All: Aye. The motion carried.

4. **Approve the Minutes**

Motion by Trustee Jakubowski to approve the following sets of minutes, as presented:

a. Special Meeting, Wednesday, 14 May 2008

b. Special Meeting, Friday, 5 September 2008

Seconded by Trustee Skahan. All: Aye. The motion carried.

5. **Mural in Youth Services: Dedication**

The dedication of the children's mural (triptych) and reading cottage in memory of Nancy J. Schmidt is scheduled for Sunday, 18 January 2009, at 2:00 p.m., in the Youth Services department.

Zillman described the plans for a lively, entertaining dedication ceremony. Discussion followed.

6. **Comments from the Committee**

At Trustee Larson's suggestion, a round-table discussion followed on other projects, both old and new:

- Investigate window paintings by Sycamore artist Valerie Pieroni, who was featured recently in *TribLocal* (8–14 January 2009, p. 13)—Trustee Larson
- Complete “Batavia Postcard Project,” featuring local images by Larry Kanfer—Trustee Larson. Next steps: Contact Kanfer.
- Complete “lettering” project, a proposal to color-fill “Batavia Public Library” above the cornice on the south and west sides of the building—Zillman. Next steps: (1) Use gold color; (2) Contact Thomas K. Melvin.
- Take steps to clean (and restore as needed) the portrait of Sarah Gammon—Director Scheetz. Next steps: Contact Thomas K. Melvin, whose daughter is a painting conservator.
- Frame original mural sketches by Thomas K. Melvin—Trustee Skahan
- Investigate a “sister library” program—Trustee Skahan. Next steps: Director Scheetz will investigate whether the City of Batavia has a sister city.
- Hold a competition to design new light fixtures for Library—Trustee Skahan
- Install full-spectrum lighting in Library—Trustee Larson
- Expand “Art in Your Eye” to Water Street and Reading Garden—Trustee Skahan

7. **Next Meetings or Events**

- a. *Board of Library Trustees (Regular Meeting), Tuesday, 20 January 2009, 7:00 p.m., Elizabeth L. Hall Conference Room, Batavia Public Library*
- b. *Standing Committee on Outreach, Friday, 6 February 2009, 7:30 a.m., Elizabeth L. Hall Conference Room, Batavia Public Library*
- c. *Board of Library Trustees (Regular Meeting), Tuesday, 17 February 2009, 7:00 p.m., Elizabeth L. Hall Conference Room, Batavia Public Library*

8. **Adjournment**

Motion by Trustee Jakubowski to adjourn the special meeting. Seconded by Trustee Skahan. All: Aye. The motion carried.

Trustee Larson declared the meeting adjourned at 8:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

George H. Scheetz
Director