

Library Board Meeting
October 20, 2008

The Carroll Public Board of Trustees met at the First United Methodist Church. Trustees present were Bogue, Louis, Neu, Schroeder, Setzler, Siemann, and Director Fischbach. Trustees absent were Blincow, Hartley, and Stence. Also present was Rick Hunsaker.

Schroeder called the meeting to order at 5:25. It was moved by Louis and seconded by Neu to approve the agenda. All voted aye. It was moved by Setzler and seconded by Siemann to approve the minutes of the September meeting. All voted aye. It was moved by Louis and seconded by Neu to approve the bills. All voted aye.

Director's report: Kelly has temporarily halted the standing order for paperback books from Ingram's due to crowding. She will be doing a monthly article in the Daily Times Herald. She attended a program at the University of Iowa about libraries in the next ten years. Kelly also attended ILA in Dubuque where she spoke with many vendors about software, fundraising, and architects. The library will be connecting to WILBOR in January for downloadable books. There will be an ICN trustee workshop in Bayard on November 13. Kelly shared a patron tally sheet for Friday and Saturday afternoons for the past four weeks. There will an Internet safety program on November 17 at the library. There was a charity knit day at the library on October 11. Toddler story time participation numbers are increasing. There is a trial subscription for a Hobbies and Crafts database. Work will be done on a closet to store books for Friends of the Library sale. There will be a program by an impersonator of Abraham Lincoln on March 19-in honor of the 200th anniversary of his birth on February 12. The state library report has been completed.

Old business: We have changed the library personnel policy to read: Medical Insurance: The city provides medical insurance for full time employees and their dependents. If the employee elects single coverage, the employee shall be required to contribute 1% toward the monthly premium. If the employee selects dependent health care coverage, the employee shall contribute ten percent (10 %) of the difference in the premium between single health insurance coverage and dependent health coverage. When an employee begins employment with the Carroll Public Library, he/she must elect whether or not they would like to participate in the City's health plan. The full range of coverage and details are available upon request from the City Clerk. This paragraph replaces the current paragraph "Medical Insurance" found on page 10 of the library's personnel policies. A motion made by Louis and seconded by Setzler to accept this wording. All voted aye.

New business: New lighting for the library is under consideration by city manager Clausen if the library remains in its current location for a minimum of three years.

Regular meeting suspended for planning session with Rick Hunsaker.

Regular meeting reconvened and a motion was made by Siemann and seconded by Neu to hire George Lawson as a consultant for the hiring of an architect for a new library building. All voted aye.

Next meeting is November 17.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00.