

COUNTY OF ST. PAUL NO. 19
LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
MINUTES – JANUARY 29, 2007

Members Present:

Irene Van Brabant (Chairperson), Millie Orr, Maxine Fodness, Alphonse Corbiere, Lois Bouchard, Lorna Conner, Lori Nelson, Betty Way (Recording Secretary).

1. CALL TO ORDER:

At 7:08 p.m., Irene Van Brabant called the meeting to order.

a. Additions to Agenda: No additions were made.

Letter read, addressed to Laverne Wilson, Chairman of Elk Point Municipal Library, dated December 20/06 of invite extended to our next Board Meeting of January 29/07. To date, no response has been received.

2. MINUTES OF DECEMBER 18, 2006 MEETING:

Minutes of the December 18, 2006 meeting was distributed to Members.

Alphonse Corbiere moved that these Minutes be approved as circulated. Carried.

3. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Betty Way gave overview of Treasurer's Report. Bank balance to December 31, 2006 - \$7,564.00.

Irene Van Brabant informed Members of call she received from Heinsburg School with mention of a book sale they plan to have for used books. From discussions of the Board, Heinsburg School was granted permission for the sale of these books.

Comments from Board Members rose on the weeding of books throughout our Libraries, which should be done on an on-going basis.

Motion to accept Treasurer's Report, moved by Millie Orr. Carried.

4. **N.L.L.S. REPORT:**

Maxine Fodness commented on happenings surrounding Northern Lights Library System.

5. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:**

- a. **Budget** – Members briefed through 2007 Operating Budget.

Maxine Fodness moved to accept the 2007 Operating Budget as presented. Carried.

It was noted that the 2007 Annual Survey and 2006 Annual Report of Public Libraries in Alberta be prepared prior to February 28, 2007.

- b. **County Library Board Grant** – Members addressed letter dated December 21/06 from Kim Heyman stating that Council has denied our request for a 10% increase because of the surplus in our 2006 Budget.

6. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. **Funding Allotment Distribution from Northern Lights Library System:**

2007 Book Allocation, based on \$2.15 per capita using the 2005 population figures provided by Alberta Community Development:

- * Lafond Public Library: \$4,492.00
- * Mallaig Public Library: \$4,359.88
- * Ashmont Public Library: \$4,359.88

- b. **Alberta Library Conference – April 26-29/07, Jasper Park Lodge:**

Members discussed in detail and from comments of last year it was decided that no one will be in attendance at this year's conference.

- c. **N.L.L.S. Annual Conference – September 20-22/07, Elk Point:**

A lot of interest shown. Members will plan to be in attendance at this conference. Registration information will be forthcoming.

7. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

Vitalize 2007 – As this Conference is more centered around Volunteers, Members will not plan to be in attendance.

After some discussion, Alphonse Corbiere moved that the County of St. Paul Library Board once again plan a Tour of our Libraries in the spring of this year. Carried.

Millie Orr commented on the success of Tofield Library.

Maxine Fodness will look into the possibility of touring Libraries through N.L.L.S. that are outside of our boundaries; Bonnyville, Lac La Biche, Cold Lake. Information will be brought back.

8. NEXT MEETING:

Scheduled for Monday, March 12, 2007 – 7:00 p.m.

9. ADJOURNMENT:

At 7:55 p.m., Lori Nelson moved that the meeting be adjourned. Carried.

Date

Chairperson