

President James A. Hoffman brought the meeting of the East Moline Public Library board to order on Feb 26, 2014 at 4:00 pm

Present: Gerry Baecke, Sheryl Hanson, James A. Hoffman, James Jannes, Nodie Kipp, Nancy Polios, Steve Strupp, Jeannine Zmuda

Absent: Dianne Hosford

Also Present: Cynthia Coe, Director ; George Lawson, Building Consultant; Jane Dederling, Kevin Allebach, David Lang of HGA Architects

Minutes: Steve motioned to approve the minutes of Jan 22, 2014; Jim seconded; and the motion carried.

Budget: After some discussion, Jim motioned to approve the budget report; Nodie seconded; and the motion carried.

Bills: Steve motioned to pay the bills; Sheryl seconded; and the motion was approved.

Librarian's Report: Cynthia asked the board to take the purple sheets in their folders home to study. They are the Director's job description, the ad copy for the job advertisement, and a list of questions the job applicant needs to answer in writing and perhaps also at the job interview.

Communications: none

Building and grounds: none

Incidents: Barring a drunk patron from returning to the building.

Foundation: \$300

Old business: none

New business: The team from HGA began their presentation by asking the board to introduce themselves. They then began to ask questions about what the board believes is the function of the library within the city of East Moline. At this point, Sheryl brought up concerns about the location of the library, she would prefer it on the top of the hill instead of in the current location. After some spirited discussion of pros and cons, Nodie asked what we would then do with this building if we moved elsewhere.

Gerry brought up her continued belief that we can't raise the 5.5 – 6 million dollars this project would need. James A. summed the discussion up and said we need another meeting to decide if the three provisions we decided in the building plan in June 2013 are no longer valid. Those three provisions were a) we stay in this location; b) we keep the building at 22,700 sf; and c) the budget was \$5.5-6 million. Those were the charges we gave to the architects. That special meeting will be March 12th at 4 pm.

It was then decided that April 9 at 4 pm will be the next meeting with the architects where we will take a look at building options.

President's items: James A. informed the board that he would be gone for the March meeting. Steve volunteered to chair the meeting. We hope to have our new board member installed by then.

Other: none

Public Comment: none

Jim motioned to adjourn; Gerry seconded; and the meeting was adjourned at 6:05 pm.

Jeannine Zmuda, Secretary