

**Blue Island Public Library  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
Minutes for March 21, 2007**

The meeting was called to order by President Jerry Natalino at 7:05 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Trustees Boyd, Garetto, May, Natalino, Recker, and Sklom

Absent: Trustees Rose and Kuznieski

Introduction of Guests:

Mike Kaliski, president, Blue Island Historical Society

Mike Janko, Treasurer, Blue Island Historical Society

After their introduction, Mr. Janko began to address the board about his concerns regarding the library's use of the space in the Museum. He expressed concern that the postal display is closed off and that table and chairs and a coat rack are distributed around the Museum. The Western Avenue display has been moved to the Main Floor. He said he was unaware of any of these changes. He said these changes were "totally unacceptable" to the Historical Society. The meeting adjourned at 7:15 so the board members could tour the Museum. It resumed at 7:25 when the board members reassembled in the room.

The Board discussed with Wanninger the library's need for more space. The Board agreed that the Tech Annex equipment would be removed in a timely fashion from the postal display. The Board asked that the agreements with the Historical Society be reviewed and put on the agenda for discussion. They reiterated their support for continuing a good working relationship with the Society. They asked the Society to inform Wanninger of their meeting times and agenda.

Syed Qasim, CMT

Zuhair Nubani, Attorney

Mr. Nubani then addressed the Board regarding correspondence he received from Wanninger disputing the bill from CMT for the installation of a 24-camera security system. Mr. Nubani gave the board copies of papers headed "Contract" signed by Lorrie Randle and bills in the amount of \$15,700. He gave his opinion that Lorrie Randle had "apparent authority" and therefore the contract was valid and the library was obligated to pay the full amount. They left the meeting after making these remarks.

The library board discussed the situation regarding the camera installation, and directed Wanninger to prepare a detailed punch list for a successful implementation of the camera system (which is reportedly installed but not working) and proceed to get to a resolution with Qasim of CMT. If the system works as requested and is installed according to code, the remainder of the bill will be paid.

The board agreed that a city-certified inspector should be retained to see if the wiring was up to code and take the cost of the inspection off the total owed.

Reading of the Minutes:

The minutes were approved on a motion by Garetto, seconded by Sklom.

Financial Report:

Finances consisting of Balance sheet and Income Summary dated Feb. 28, 2007, Income/Expenditures Fiscal Year 2006-2007, and Check Detail, Feb. 22-March 21, 2007 were distributed. Wanninger noted that the Check Detail report includes all expenses made by the library since the last board meeting, including all checking accounts and electronic funds transfers. It is a much more comprehensive list of expenses than the board previously reviewed.

Sklom made a motion to approve library expenses as presented in the amount of \$98,101.48. Recker seconded.

YES: 6 Boyd, Garetto, May, Natalino, Recker, and Sklom

NO: 0

Director's Report

Wanninger distributed a Board roster, noting that the terms of May, Sklom, Kuznieski and Natalino expire at the end of April. May and Sklom expressed interest in being reappointed. Due to his health, Tom Kuznieski will retire from the Board at the end of his term.

Wanninger reminded Board members of the filing deadline for the Cook County Conflict of Interest Statements.

Committee Reports

The Finance committee agreed to meet on the budget one hour prior to the regular April meeting, at 6 p.m. All board members are invited.

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

The board briefly discussed the Program of Services presented for the next fiscal year, but the other items were tabled until the next meeting.

Communications

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m. with a motion by Trustee Sklom

Respectfully submitted,  
Patty Dwyer Wanninger

Approved with additions May 9, 2007