

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at the Land O' Lakes Public Library at 9:30A.M. by Vice-Chairman Erv Teichmiller with the following committee members present: Leon Kukanich, Mary Platner and Ralph J. Sitzberger. Chairman Ron De Bruyne was excused.

Others present during this meeting: Jim Trojanowski, representing the Northern Waters Library System; June Franzen, Director, Phelps Library; Julie Zelten, Director, Land O' Lakes Library; Cherie Sanderson, Director, Boulder Junction Library; Ida Nemec, Director, Plum Lake Library and Vilas County Clerk David Alleman.

Open meeting notices and quorum present verified by the Chairman.

Introductions:

The Vice-Chairman at this time called for introductions from all present.

Approve Library Committee agenda to be discussed in any order by the Chair:

Motion by M. Platner, 2nd by R. Sitzberger to approve the agenda with the order of discussion at the Chair's discretion. All voting aye. Carried.

Approve Library Committee minutes of the February 9, 2009 meeting:

Motion by L. Kukanich, 2nd by M. Platner to approve the minutes of the February 9, 2009 meeting. All voting aye. Carried.

Land O' Lakes Public Library – tour of facilities:

At this time Land O' Lakes Public Library Director Julie Zelten led the Committee on a tour of the library facilities. The building is modern and well lit, and includes lower level meeting rooms and a children's area, along with a large storage and work room. The main level includes a "teen corner" devoted to items of interest to that age group, a generous yet cozy reading room including a fireplace, a video collection area and ample computers for public use.

County library plan organization and development – Jim Trojanowski:

J. Trojanowski presented the statutory requirements behind the need for a county wide library plan upgrade. He elaborated upon various methods of facilitating the planning process, and also provided copies of existing county library plans from Bayfield and Green Counties.

E. Teichmiller asked who the participants were with regards to the formulation of the existing county library plan. I. Nemec had taken part in the previous planning process and offered her recollections. J. Trojanowski then led the Committee through the planning process outline. He is also willing to facilitate the planning process, but in the role of an observer. The Committee then discussed the various aspects of the planning process and possible future planning committee participants. E. Teichmiller felt that it would be premature to proceed further at this meeting, especially in the absence of the Committee Chairman. The Clerk was asked to inform the Committee Chairman of today's discussion and to include the planning process on the next meeting agenda.

Meeting between Town of Arbor Vitae and Minocqua Library – Jim Trojanowski:

J. Trojanowski presented his written observations taken at that joint meeting. He also spoke at length regarding the issues leading up to and emanating from that meeting. It appears that the Town of Arbor Vitae and the Minocqua Library have reached a tentative agreement resolving their differences.

Area library reports:

The Librarians in attendance gave verbal and written reports regarding recent activities and circulation data for each of their libraries.

Letters and Communications:

Nothing presented.

Future meeting dates:

The next meeting was tentatively scheduled for Monday, April 20, 2009 at 9:30 A.M. at the Vilas County Courthouse.

Adjournment:

Motion by R. Sitzberger, 2nd by L. Kukanich to adjourn. All voting aye. Carried.
Meeting adjourned at 11:20 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

David R. Alleman
Vilas County Clerk