

# Manchester District Library Board of Directors

December 12, 2011 Approved Minutes

**Present:** Cook, Fegan, Nelson, Neukom, Paskewitz, Seguin

## **I. Call to Order.** 7:00

**Welcome new Trustee.** Joann Okey was welcomed in her absence.

## **II. Approval of Agenda.** All aye.

## **III. Approval of Minutes.** Nov. 14, 2011 meeting, as corrected.

Motion by Seguin, second by Cook. All aye.

## **IV. Correspondence.** None.

## **V. Public Comment-Jim Pletz, Director, The Library Network.**

Mr. Pletz described the services provided and the advantages of belonging to the TLN, and explained the funding model. 75% of the costs are shared equally per building, and 25% are based on the district populations. After Mr. Pletz's presentation the Board discussed the information presented, and the probable costs of going independent. Neukom proposed that an Ad Hoc committee be appointed to form a plan to pay for our membership in TLN, in the face of possible funding cuts. Fritz Swanson accepted the committee chairmanship, with membership to be sought from the community of Library "superusers", including Jan Neukom.

Motion by Paskewitz to inform TLN of our reluctant intention to withdraw as of Sept 30, 2012, due to cost. Second by Neukom. All aye.

## **VI. Director's Report.**

a. Heather Sturm thanks Sam and Austin for decorating the area above the door with a Christmas tree, and a patron for chocolates!

b. Comcast will install the new hookup Dec. 20. Computer classes for seniors will be offered after the first of the year.

c. Fund-raising efforts included the Usborne book sale, which brought modest return, and the Cards for Cause, which is ongoing through this month. Marianne Cenko has paintings on display, and will donate a portion of their sale this month to the Library.

## **VII. Financial Report.** (Presented by Seguin) Large items this month are for TLN and attorney fees.

Motion by Neukom to pay the bills. Second by Cook. Nelson, yes. Cook, yes. Seguin, yes. Neukom, yes. Paskewitz, yes.

## **VIII. Committee Report.** None.

## **IX. Old Business**

a. **Lawhorn's medical receipts.** Motion by Neukom, second by Seguin to pay \$386 in bills. Nelson, yes. Cook, yes. Seguin, yes. Neukom, yes. Paskewitz, yes.

b. **Automation/Shared System.** See decision, above, under Public Comment.

## **X. New Business.** None.

## **XI. Adjournment.** 8:31.

Submitted by J. Paskewitz