REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES LIVERPOOL PUBLIC LIBRARY JUNE 6, 2012

Trustees present: Spadafore, Alessio, Spado, Dunstone, Dodge, Scavone, and Ward. Staff: Polly, Director and Morgan, Clerk to the Board. Others: staff, public, Michael Tremont, library attorney

REGULAR MEETING

A. CALL TO ORDER President Spadafore called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

B. SALUTE TO THE FLAG: Tremont led the Board in the Salute to the Flag.

C. CORRESPONDENCE: correspondence circulated amongst the Board.

D. AGENDA CHANGES: no changes requested

E. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of May 2, 2012 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Approval of Monthly Bills for May
Ward moved and Spado seconded to approve items under the Consent Agenda. All were in favor.

F. REPORTS TO THE BOARD

1. Friends report: Sprague reported that the plant sale held on Saturday, June 2 was very successful.

2. Treasurer's report: Larry Dunstone

The Board received copies of the June 4, 2012 Expenditure and Revenue Reports, which showed finances through May. Dunstone reported on the library's financial status.

4. President's report: Spadafore was not able to attend the Village of Liverpool's Annual Memorial Day Parade event on May 28. Polly was the guest speaker at the program. The library received a nice plaque from the American Legion, acknowledging the services the library offers to them.

5. Director's report: Nothing to report in addition to the written report submitted by the Director.

6. OCPL/Advisory Board Meeting

Dodge reported on the May 18 OCPL Board Meeting. Jeffrey W. Cannell, Deputy Commissioner for Cultural Education in Albany, and Acting State Librarian, will launch "Summer Reading at New York Libraries" at a press conference Tuesday, June 12, at the Robert P. Kinchen Central Library. The public is welcome to attend.

G. ITEMS FOR AND ACTION

1. Library budget vote results for 2012-2013

The library budget vote passed:

2160 total voting – 1613 yes, 547 no. Approval margin was 75%.

Spado and Dodge were elected to another five-year term. Joseph Spado 1345, Timothy Dodge 1094, and Karen Ingeman 1077.

Records indicate that this is the highest approval rating in the past ten years. Discussion followed relative to a concern heard on the day of the vote that the library should be included as an additional polling location.

2. Board Nominating Committee for 2012-2013

Spadafore appointed Scavone and Dodge as the nominating committee for the election of officers for 2012-2013 fiscal year.

3. 2013 Scheduled Closings Calendar

The Board reviewed the first draft of the scheduled closings calendar. The calendar had been posted for the union's review in May and through the month of June. It will be approved at the Reorganizational Meeting in July.

H. OPEN FORUM: Karen Ingeman suggested that the Board use a microphone in order for those in attendance to better hear the Board discussions, and also have a podium available for the public to use when speaking to the Board.

Ingeman ran for a trustee seat and lost by a narrow margin. She congratulated Spado and Dodge, both incumbents, who won the election. Ingeman expressed her dissatisfaction with the way the Board and library management are running the library.

I. BOARD FORUM:

Spado acknowledged how wonderful the children's room looked, and appreciated the tremendous work of the staff in making it happen.

Ward was present during the US State Department-Hosted Librarian from China visit. The librarian was very impressed and explained how she had visited many public libraries all over the world and Liverpool Library was very unique, and how she wanted her whole staff to come visit! Ward acknowledged and complimented the staff for the great atmosphere and camaraderie that was felt the day of the May 30th visit.

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Spadafore requested an executive session for a legal matter with possible action to follow. Dunstone made a motion and Spado seconded to enter into an executive session for the purpose stated by Spadafore. All were in favor. Spadafore declared an executive session at 6:55 p.m. Mike Tremont, the library's attorney was in attendance. Polly and Morgan were excused. Dunstone made a motion and Ward seconded to return from executive session at 8:00 p.m. All were in favor.

K. ADJOURNMENT

Scavone made a motion and Dodge seconded to adjourn the meeting. All were in favor. Spadafore adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dorothy Morgan Clerk to the Board of Trustees