



NEW LENOX PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD SPECIAL MEETING JUNE 15, 2015

A special meeting of the New Lenox Public Library District Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:05 p.m., by Linda Evans on Monday, June 15, 2015, at the New Lenox Library, 120 Veterans Parkway, New Lenox, Illinois

Present were Trustees: Linda Evans, Ann Podoba, Bonnie Ulstad, Louis Broccolo, Colette Loecke, Michelle Monbrod and President Edward Tatro

Staff present: Pilar Shaker

Audience to Visitors

None

New Business

- Director Shaker presented the 15-16 draft budget. Items of note included a decrease in the Electronic Data line due to a significant savings on a database that Rose Gilman changed out, an increase in the AS book budget, and the additional funds that will be coming from a one-time insurance payout.

Director Shaker expressed concerns about the current amount being spent on materials compared to other areas; The American Library Association recommends that libraries spend 12% of their budget on materials for patrons. Shaker pointed out that she has made efforts to begin increasing the materials budget in this year's proposal.

- Director Shaker explained the insurance payout that the library will be receiving as a result of the distribution of funds from a defunct insurance pool that the library formerly participated in. Director Shaker shared that in a follow-up conversation with the Library's lawyer she was advised that the refund could only be spent on insurance related expenses. Director Shaker stressed that although the funds were restricted to insurance expenditures, this would free up funds that would have otherwise been earmarked for insurance payments. Shaker shared that she plans to wait to spend any of these extra dollars until the library has received expected grant and tax dollars.

For now these funds will be budgeted in the contingency line of our budget and decisions about their use can be made later.

Adjournment

Trustee Ulstad moved and Trustee Monbrod seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 6:26 p.m. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

Pilar Shaker, Director

Respectfully Submitted,
Pilar Shaker
Library Director