

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE
DOWNERS GROVE PUBLIC LIBRARY
October 23 2002
MINUTES**

ROLL CALL

President Daniels called the meeting to order in the Meeting Room at 7:34 p.m. Trustees present: DiCola, Humphreys, Vlcek, Daniels. Trustees absent: Sapyta, Upshaw. Also present: Director Bowen, Assistant Director Bukovac, Publicity Coordinator Yott.

Visitors present: Sandy Zeles of the Downers Grove Reporter.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Humphreys and seconded by DiCola **THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 9, 2002 BE APPROVED.** Ayes: DiCola, Humphreys, Vlcek, Daniels. Nays: None. Motion carried.

WARRANTS

It was moved by DiCola and seconded by Vlcek **TO APPROVE INVOICES OF OCTOBER 23, 2002 TOTALING \$27,651.23.** Ayes: DiCola, Humphreys, Vlcek, Daniels. Nays: None. Motion carried.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Bowen gave an explanation of the proposed 2003/04 budget and five year plan. Bowen reviewed the actual revenue and expenditures for the 2001/02 budget and the projections for the current budget. Issues that will be addressed in the new budget proposal include the likelihood that there will be cuts in the state per capita grant and other state grants over the next few years as Illinois deals with the state budget crisis, and the expectation that interest rates on invested funds will continue to be low over the next few years, reducing revenue from that source. He also reviewed what impact the proposed budget will have on the reserve fund over time. Based on Bowens' explanation and review of projections the trustees agreed that he should continue with the budget development as outlined.

NEW BUSINESS

Bukovac and Yott presented a draft of information for the website about the library's giving programs and the foundation. This information will also be summarized in a promotional brochure. The trustees had a few suggestions but were pleased with what was presented.

REPORT OF THE ADMINISTRATION

Bowen reported that staff member Amy Johnson Balicki had a baby recently.

The executive director of the Suburban Library System has announced her retirement.

Bukovac reported that the Chihuly bowl and the Gerard sculpture will be installed October 28.

TRUSTEES REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

None.

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Daniels stated that he received high praise for the library's art collection from Melissa Henderson who is the manager of NorthStarNet. The library uses NorthStarNet as its website host.

Vlcek commented that she thought the meeting between the trustees and the Village Council went well and was beneficial. The other trustees agreed.

OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

The board adjourned at 8:50 p.m.