

## LA CROSSE COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD

June 1, 2011

Onalaska Public Library

741 Oak Ave. S

Onalaska WI 54650

4:45 pm

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mary Bach-Filla, Arlene Benrud, Fred Marini, Barbara Manthei, George Varnum

**MEMBERS EXCUSED:** Loren Caulum, Glenn Seager

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**STAFF AND GUESTS:** Christine McArdle Rojo, Library Director; Judy Jamesson, Library Secretary; Kelly Krieg-Sigman, Director of La Crosse Public Library; Kristen Anderson, Director of the Winding Rivers Library System

### ROLL CALL/CALL TO ORDER:

Vice-President Arlene Benrud called the meeting to order at 4:45 pm.

### APPROVAL OF THE MEETING AGENDA:

**MOTION** by Manthei/Marini to approve the agenda as written. **Motion carried unanimously**, Caulum & Seager excused.

### PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

### INTRODUCTION OF WRLS DIRECTOR:

Kristen Anderson, an eleven-year employee of Winding Rivers Library System, is replacing David Polodna as director.

### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

**MOTION** by Bach-Filla/Manthei to approve the May 4, 2011, minutes as presented. **Motion carried unanimously**, Caulum & Seager excused.

### APPROVAL OF JUNE 2011 EXPENDITURES:

**MOTION** by Bach-Filla/Varnum to approve 2011 expenses paid in June. **Motion carried unanimously**, Caulum & Seager excused.

### LIBRARY SERVICES CONTRACT WITH CITY OF ONALASKA:

The City of Onalaska has asked for a contract with the Friends of the Onalaska Library to outline the activities and responsibilities of each entity. Chris has written a draft for a new contract with the city that incorporates all the addendums and also includes the Friends.

**MOTION** by Manthei/Marini to accept the draft and for the proposed changes to be presented to the City of Onalaska. **Motion carried unanimously**, Caulum & Seager excused.

### 2012 BUDGET:

- WILS & WRLSWeb fees will increase.
- 2012 marks the 6<sup>th</sup> year the County Library has been on WRLSWeb and at this time we will begin contributing to the capital expense of WRLSWeb.
- Indirect costs may be a negotiation point during budget discussions.
- Kristen Anderson, WRLS Director says the WRLS budget has been cut by 10%, approximately \$88,000; however, since David Polodna's salary was higher than Kristen's starting salary, and WRLS did not fill Kristen's vacant position those savings should allow the WRLS grants to remain at the same level they were last year.
- Manthei asked if volunteers could be used to fill the service gaps, perhaps shelving books, etc. Chris will prepare a list of duties.

### FACILITY & COMMUNITY AND OTHER UPDATES:

- A report was included in the Board packets.
- Mindoro: Programming is finished for the year. Fundraising will continue.
- The Friends of the Onalaska Library have nominated the La Crosse County Library for the Wisconsin Library Association's "Library of the Year."

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:**

2012 budget

Nominations for the annual awards banquet

"Leave-a-Legacy" update

Staff duties

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business, Vice-President Benrud declared the meeting adjourned at 5:25pm.

**DISCLAIMER:** Approved. 7/6/11

Judy Jamesson, Library Secretary.