

**MINUTES  
VOORHEESVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
19 MAY 2008**

Robert Kent, Vice-President called the regular meeting of the Library Board of Trustees to order at

7:15 PM on Tuesday, 19 MAY 2008.

Attending: Robert Kent, Vice-President; Rebecca Pahl, Robert Parmenter, Treasurer; Rita Stein, and Gail Sacco, Clerk

Excused: Richard Ramsey, President

**Minutes:** The minutes of the meeting held on April 22, 2008 were presented to the Board.

M (RS) S (RCP) P: TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE MEETING OF APRIL 22, 2008.

**FINANCIAL:**

**Warrants:** Warrant 10A (April 23-30, 2008) was presented to the Board. Warrant 10A for the operating fund totaled \$909.07.

M (RP) S (RS) P: APPROVE FOR PAYMENT WARRANT 10A OF \$909.07 FROM OPERATING FUNDS. SAID WARRANT IS FILED WITH THE OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THIS MEETING.

Gail Sacco noted that she has not heard back from the library's attorney regarding the architect's contract, but has received and verified a bill for services rendered (\$4,900).

The library received a grant of \$4,000 from Senator Neil Breslin for "design, legal and consultant costs" for the local history center.

Gail Sacco has been in touch with Ed Clark regarding the grant from the Voorheesville School and Community Foundation. She should hear something by the beginning of June.

**Treasurer's Report:** The Treasurer's Report for April 2008 was presented to the Board.

M (RP) S (RS) P: TO ACCEPT THE APRIL 2008 TREASURER'S REPORT OF \$26,371.94 IN THE CHECKING ACCOUNT, \$321,533.82 IN TEMPORARY INVESTMENTS, \$61,434.84 IN THE BUILDING FUND AND \$7,106.60 IN THE MEMORIAL ACCOUNT FOR TOTAL FUNDS OF \$416,447.20.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

**Personnel:** There are three candidates for the bookkeeping position and both Bob Parmenter and the library's auditor have reviewed the resumes.

Joyce Laiosa, Head of Youth and Family Services, was awarded "The Micki Nevett Sparkler Award" from the Children's Literature Connection. The award included \$1,000 to her and another \$1,000 for the Voorheesville Public Library. Ms. Laiosa said the following: "I came into librarianship late in my life, but I am proud to have served as a librarian my whole career here in Voorheesville. I have been mentored by many fine librarians. My career has been enhanced by the ability to also teach; to grow through conference opportunities; serve on committees at the

state and national levels; and to always build our programs. We never know when we will touch a child or a student with a book recommendation, but I believe we must have those titles in our “pocket,” so to speak, and be ready to pass along a book that will light a spark.”

Alexis Moore, a library page, was recognized by at the local YMCA Student and Educator Awards Breakfast in part, for her volunteer service to the library.

**Services:** Gail Sacco gave a presentation about the library to the New Scotland Business Builders in April.

**Adult Services:** The Reading Café has added a film blog, which will be maintained by Julie Stump, the librarian who does our purchasing.

M (RS) S (RCP) P: TO ACCEPT THE DIRECTOR’S REPORT.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**BUILDING EXPANSION:** The Trustees had a general discussion of building concerns, which included remarks about the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library. This library is noted for its LEED aspects and the trustees observed that the Clifton-Park Halfmoon Library decided to become more environmentally conscious after their bond referendum was passed by the community. They had to fit it into their initial budget.

The Trustees also discussed a 6 acre plot of land near the Elementary School. A community resident has asked them to think about this as a possible site for a library. The Trustees came to no conclusion.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

There was no new business.

M (RK) S (RP) P: TO ADJOURN THE MEETING.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM. The next meeting will be held on JUNE 16, 2008 AT 7:00 PM in the library.

Respectfully submitted,  
Gail Alter Sacco, Clerk