



MORTON GROVE PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING
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Mission Statement

The Morton Grove Public Library will provide a place offering materials, programs and services to assist the community in its pursuit of personal growth and lifelong learning.

Vision Statement

Morton Grove Public Library will meet the needs of its growing increasingly diverse community by providing services and partnering with other community organizations. All will be welcome to follow their interests, expand their dreams, learn new skills and interact with other members of the community to enhance their quality of life. The Board of Trustees and staff will work together to serve the public and respond to the changing roles of libraries.

1. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

President Albers called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Secretary Berg called the roll.

Trustees Present: Mark Albers, President; Paul Berg, Secretary; Arthur Goldstein; Cathy Peters, Treasurer; Christa Quinn

Absent: David Calimag; Dan Hoffman

Others Present: Kevin Justie, Co-Director; Head of Automated & Technical Services; Natalya Fishman, Co-Director; Head of Reference; Blanche Miyamoto, Administrative Assistant; Karina Guico, Programming;

Visitor: One reporter

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3. Co-Directors Presentation of Proposed 2012 Library Budget

Before reviewing the 2012 Library Budget, Co-Director Justie showed the board the "Seven Wonders of Morton Grove" award presented to the co-directors at the Village meeting on Monday, October 24, 2011. This award will be displayed on the wall across from the Circulation Desk along with other awards given to MGPL.

Co-Director Justie clarified a few points in the proposed 2012 Library Budget:

- There are no cuts in staffing.
- Books and Materials budget remain the same as 2011.
- The decrease in Programming does not represent a reduction of programs.
- Account #6090 amount should be \$103,365.

Co-Director Justie explained the summary version of the 2012 Budget :

- The projected expense for the remaining of 2011 showed the library receiving more funds. This was due to the per capita grant being received sooner than anticipated, and projected expenses being lower than expected.
- Option A of the projected 2012 budget represents no reserve draw-down.
- Option B of the projected 2012 budget represents a draw-down to 65% of annual expenses; the recommended minimum is 60%.

Co-Director Justie informed the board that the finance committee recommended Option B. A lengthy discussion followed.

The board agreed that the co-directors should submit Option B of the 2012 Draft Budget to the Village. A final vote to approve the budget will take place at the November meeting.

5. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.


Secretary