

THE URBANA FREE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2007

Present: Mary Ellen Farrell, Kermit Harden, James P. Quisenberry, Chris Scherer, Charlie Smyth, and Jane Williams

Absent: Barbara Gillespie, Kate McDowell, and Beth Scheid

Staff present: Becky Brown

The Urbana Free Library Board of Trustees met in the Archives of The Urbana Free Library on March 27, 2007. The meeting was called to order by the president, Kermit Harden, at 7:03 p.m.

VIDEO SURVEILLANCE CONTRACT

James Quisenberry and Charlie Smyth reported that they had met with library staff to review the three proposals received for the video surveillance system. The staff and Board members felt that the best proposal was presented by Thompson Electronic. The proposed price was \$29,000, but after some discussion, it was felt that a couple of more cameras should be added, which will probably bring the price up to over \$30,000. The Board had previously voted to spend up to \$30,000 on the system.

It was moved by Mary Ellen Farrell, and seconded by Jane Williams, and passed unanimously, that the Thompson contract be accepted, with the addition of the two extra cameras and the additional funds needed to pay for them.

Charlie Smyth reported that Bill DeJarnette will have final prices for fiber build out by the next regular Board meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CONTRACT (CLOSED SESSION)

It was moved by James Quisenberry, seconded by Jane Williams, and passed by roll call vote that the Board move into closed session to discuss the Executive Director contract.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CONTRACT VOTE

It was moved by James Quisenberry, seconded by Jane Williams, and passed unanimously to go back into open session.

It was moved by Chris Scherer, seconded by Jane Williams, and passed with one dissenting vote to approve the Executive Director's contract with the third sentence of Section 7 amended to say "a member or members of the Library Board."

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Board discussed plans for Fred Schlipf's retirement parties. Kermit Harden reported on the Foundation's gift plans. The staff will organize a public open house on Sunday, May 6, 2007. The Foundation will organize a party for Foundation Board, Friends officers, and Library staff. It is scheduled for May 18, 2007.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Becky Brown, Recording Secretary