

The regular scheduled monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Eastern Monroe Public Library was held on July 16, 2013 at 8:30 a.m. at the Hughes Library.

Present: William Weitzman, Lisbet Duponte, John Field, Stan Miles, Jan Morganthau, Gerard Geiger, Phyllis Gibson, Tony Stevens-Arroyo, Carol Pooley

Absent:

Staff: B Keiser, K Rustici

Guests: Mike Berardi

The meeting was called to order at 8:32am by L Duponte.

J Field/P Gibson moved to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2013 meeting, as presented and Carried.

Public Comment - Michael Berardi introduced himself as the new owner of the Meadow Lake Plaza property and indicated he was interested in working with the library for relocation of the Smithfields branch there. He described the condominium conditions of the property and answered questions from board members.

President's Report –The Board thanked Julie Bonser, Head of Youth Services and her staff for an amazing job done with the Yertle Shell-a-bration.

Treasurer's Report –Tax income is a bit higher this month and expenses are a little lower so far. We have received the final distribution of the Bettie P Brooks Estate and Trust, which was deposited into the reserve account.

J Field/P Gibson moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and Carried.

C Pooley/J Morganthau moved to approve the bills as presented and Carried.

T Stevens-Arroyo/P Gibson moved to adopt the Investment Policy of the Board of Trustees as recommended by the Finance Committee with changes in textual descriptors as discussed. Carried

Buildings and Equipment – W Weitzmann reported for the committee. We are still waiting for repair information on leakage from high windows on the second floor of Hughes. The committee has not met since the traffic safety issue in the Hughes parking lot was referred back at the June meeting.

Publicity & Community Relations –none to report

Policy and Operations –none to report

Personnel-none to report

Director's Report – Highlights from B. Keiser's report:-The FRIENDS had another successful Book Sale! Summer reading programs going strong through the library website. Yertle Shell-a-bration exceeded our expectations for the afternoon of games, crafts, pony rides and entertainment. Ann Kane has 60 years of library service in Monroe County.

SMF Task Force –

J Field/C Pooley moved to go into executive session at 9:14 am to discuss real estate.

J Morganthau/S Miles moved to get out of executive session at 9:58 am.

Strategic Planning –none to report

Old Business – none to report.

New Business – none to report.

G Geiger/J Morganthau moved to adjourn the meeting until July 30, 2013 at 8:30am Carried.

The meeting was resumed to order on Tuesday, July 30, 2013 at 8:30am by L Duponte.

J Morganthau /P Gibson moved to go into executive session at 8:31 am to discuss real estate.

J Morganthau/J Field moved to get out of executive session at 9:02 am.

Public Comment- Bob Brown introduced himself as the owner of the RGB Plaza and indicated he was interested in working with the library for relocation of the Smithfield branch there. He answered any questions the board members had.

J Morganthau /J Field moved to go into executive session at 9:30am to discuss real estate again.

J Field/J Morganthau/ moved to get out of executive session at 10:10 am.

J Field/J Morganthau moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:11am and Carried.