

MINUTES

OAKLAND COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD

May 20, 2009

The special meeting of the Oakland County Library Board was called to order at 4:15 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

Board Members Present: Steven Andrews, Robert Gaylor, Donald Jensen, Dr. Vickie Markavitch, Jeff Potter

Board Members Excused: John Chambers, Robert Tera

Guests: Francile Anderson, Oakland County Bar Foundation Past President; Judy Cunningham, Corporation Counsel; Larry Doyle, Board of Commissioners; Lisa Stadig-Elliott, Oakland County Bar Association Executive Director; Michael Scholff, Oakland County Bar Association President; Michael Sullivan, President Elect, Oakland County Bar Foundation

Also in Attendance: Laura Mancini, Director-Library Services; Sherry Hakim, Library Administrative Assistant

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Resolution #09-18: Markavitch moved to approve the agenda as distributed. Potter seconded. Motion carried.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS AND CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

Judge Andrews instructed Library Board members to reverse items A and B under old business.

4. OLD BUSINESS

A. FY2010, 2011, 2012 Budget

The Board discussed the proposed budgets for FY2010, 2011 and 2012.

Resolution #09-19: Markavitch moved to approve the FY2010 proposed budget reduction. Gaylor seconded. Motion carried.

Resolution #09-20: Markavitch moved to approve the FY2011 and FY2012 proposed budgets. Gaylor seconded. Motion carried.

B. Cooley Law School Proposal

Judy Cunningham, Corporation Counsel, is currently in contract negotiations with Cooley Law School. She requested two documents from the Library Board regarding what they would like to see included in a potential contract with Cooley Law School and what the Board would like to see remain onsite in a diminished Adams Pratt Law Library.

The Board began to discuss their contract preferences.

Robert Gaylor asked what is our responsibility as a library board and Judge Andrews responded it was the Board's responsibility to oversee the library.

Judy Cunningham stated that Oakland County has no legal obligation to house a public law library. She has asked for input from the Library Board, the OCBA, the OCBF and the BOC so that all of the constituents could present their wish lists so that she can come up with the best arrangement possible.

Judge Andrews stated that he would like to keep the name "Adams Pratt" and he wanted to make sure that public along with the Bar, always has access to the library. If at anytime Cooley decides they don't want to continue the library, that it reverts back to the County and if Cooley fails to maintain it or violates any terms of the contract, there is a revert back clause and it comes back to the County. The Board also discussed if Cooley slated any items for disposal, the county would have a right of refusal, which would include storage.

The Board expressed concern about items/books that Cooley either already has or does not want and what would happen to them.

Michael Schloff, President of the OCBA, indicated that they would like to see retained as part of the de minimis library the books and computer terminals, that were purchased by the Bar Foundation and Bar Association. One of the computer terminals could possible go into the lawyer's conference room here on the county premises and a couple might go to Cooley Law School.

Judge Andrews sent a letter to Justices Wendy Potts, Edward Sosnick, Colleen O'Brien, and Joan Young from the Circuit Court, asking them what materials they believe are necessary to assist trial counsel and pro se litigants while on trial or preparing for trial. He also sent a letter to Probate Court asking them for their assistance.

Laura stated that it was recommended to her that she start meeting with Facilities and Human Resources, to discuss what may become of this facility and what kind of staffing structure is needed. She has started to schedule these meetings.

Judge Andrews directed the Board to think about having to consolidate what is left of the library into one area.

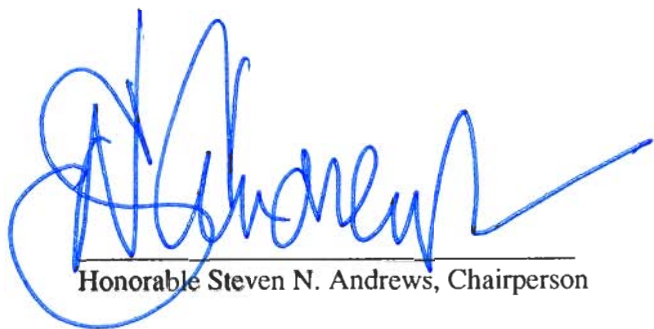
5. CONFIRM NEXT MEETING DATE

The next regular meeting of the Library Board will be on **May 27, 2009** at 3:00 p.m. in the Library Board Room/Second Floor/West Wing Extension.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution #09-21: Potter moved to adjourn the May 20, 2009 meeting. Markavitch seconded. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:55 p.m.



Honorable Steven N. Andrews, Chairperson



Robert Gaylor, Secretary