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10 E. Chicago St.-Coldwater, MI 49036

"SPECIAL" BRANCH DISTRICT LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD MINUTES December 28, 2000 7:00 P. M.

PRESENT FOR ROLL CALL

Marilyn Ashdown, Carol Brown, Rosemary Smitley, John Swanson, Acting Director Bruce Guy.

ABSENT FOR ROLL CALL

Dorothy Cherry, Vera Hurd, Richard Sharland, President.

ALSO PRESENT

Earl Burdick, Mary Burdick, Lynnell Eash, Carol Maddox, Pat Kaniewski.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ashdown moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Smitley. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING ON 2001 BUDGET

Several questions were asked by the public about the budget and answered by the Board members. Smitley moved to close the public hearing. Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENTS

Carol Maddox asked about the difference between an Interim Director and Acting Director. The Board assumes that they are the same because both Directors would do the same jobs. It is just a difference in terminology.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1. Amend the 2000 budget The report and budget from Rumsey and Watkins was reviewed. Brown Moved we approve the amended 2000 budget. Ashdown seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 2. Adopt the 2001 budget The budget was discussed at great length. Brown moved to adopt the budget for 2001 as presented. Smitley seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- Consider hiring a Board consultant There was a discussion about why the Board wants to hire a Board consultant. Ashdown moved we hire a consultant for the year 2001 and pay \$25.00 per meeting plus mileage. Brown seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Ashdown moved we appoint Richard Sharland as our Board consultant for 2001 and pay him \$25.00 per meeting plus mileage. Smitley seconded the motion. Motion carried.

EXTENDED PUBLIC COMMENTS

Carol Maddox asked about using Gates computers if patrons have overdue charges. Bruce will check it out with Gates to see if we can prevent patrons from using computers if they have overdue charges or have overdue books. Bruce will bring back to the Board next month a policy that we can refer to in the future regarding this matter.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 P. M.

Submitted by:

Marily ashdown

Marilyn Ashdown, BDLS Board Secretary

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