

Oak Park Board of Library Trustees

April 26, 2016

7:30 PM

Main Library

Mary Rose Lambke, Observer

OPPL Board of Trustees: Matthew Baran, Matthew Fruth, Ted Foss, Win Fox, Janet Kelensen, Carezza Millan, Bruce Samuels

Library Officials Present: Executive Director, David Seleb; Deputy Director, James Madigan

Library Staff: Jodi Kolo, Lori Pullman, Leigh Tarullo, Emily Reiher, Elizabeth Marszalik and Eric Battaglia; Office Manager, Rita Earle

OPPL hosted a reception in the Veterans Room for the Library Volunteers at 6:30 pm at which all categories were recognized for their achievements and valuable contributions to the functioning and welcoming atmosphere of the library.

The meeting then commenced in the Scoville Room at 7:30pm. Of note was Carezza Millan's praise for Debby Preiser and her handling of an electrical failure right before a folk concert this past month. Debby adroitly rearranged a space at the church next door and then directed the artists and audience to the concert.

Jodi Kolo reported on an ongoing initiative that offers a questionnaire on library use and effectiveness and the staff's evaluation of the results and proposal of change. Do take the survey posted on the library's website!

Leigh Tarullo spoke to the grant funded digitalization of the Hemingway archives. Illinois is a hub for the digitalization of materials. Lyrasis is a component for building capacity for educational use. District 97 has involved the use of components to support students' use of the 6 word stories and comic strips available for viewers at the schools.

Disbursements were questioned in detail and then passed. Under new business, discussion ensued on the signing of the intergovernmental agreement for the youth interventionist program with the conclusion of its excellent effectiveness and the hiring of OPPL Social Worker, Robert Simmons, Mgr for Community Services.

Other new business: The village is considering a Memorandum of Understanding for I-EO (Intergovernmental Environmental Community Organization.) Discussion attempted to clarify the need, especially after Gary Cuneen's presentation about Plan-it Green to this board recently. Please read the staff reports online for in depth information.

Observer left at 9pm. Respectfully submitted, Mary Rose Lambke