

Minutes of the

Meeting of the Chippewa Falls Public Library Board of Trustees, Policy and Facilities Committee

March 26, 2010

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Board President Stacey Miller.

2. Roll Call of Committee Members

Members Present: Stacey Miller, Jan Adams, Linda Nebelsiek

Members Absent: Connie Russell

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Adams, seconded by Nebelsiek, all present voting Aye.
Motion carried.

4. Current Business

The committee discussed the policy recommendations made by Director Darryl Eschete regarding fines and fees. Director Eschete's recommendations:

-A yearly Fine Free Week, during which overdue fines on materials owned by the Chippewa Falls Public Library would be waived and replacement fees also waived for materials returned. Collection agency fees would not be waived.

-The maximum fine patrons can hold on their library accounts which would still allow them access to library services would be reduced from \$10.00 to \$5.00.

-Waiving of overdue fines for staff up to \$10.00 at the discretion of the director, with the privilege, if abused, subject to revocation also at the director's discretion.

-Internet use at the Chippewa Falls Public Library made contingent upon patrons both having and physically presenting a library card with patrons being able to log onto library computers only once per quarter without a card. Internet usage made contingent upon a patron's library fines being below the \$5.00 level.

-Raising library card replacement fees to \$5.00.

-Allowing library users to check out materials only once per quarter without a library card.

-Disallowing all library privileges to any member of a household in which a single user has overdue fines equaling or exceeding \$40.00 or in which the household fine total equals or exceeds \$50.00 until the fine is paid to the \$5.00 level.

-Allowing the presentation of official documentation of extenuating circumstances (theft, fire, illness) to result in fines being waived at the library director's discretion.

-Allowing patrons to volunteer their time and labor at a rate concomitant with current minimum wage in lieu of paying fines upon approval of the director.

Motion to approve all changes in committee and present to full library board as discussed and recommend adoption: Nebelsiek, seconded by Adams. All present voting Aye.

Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn: Adams, seconded by Nebelsiek. All present voting Aye.
Meeting adjourned.

Secretary and Typist: Darryl Eschete

Respectfully Admitted,

Darryl Eschete