Minutes of Irondequoit Library Board of Trustees March 19, 2008 Evans Branch

Members present: Karyl Mammano, Miriam Ganze, David Heffer, Mary Ellen Jones, Elaine Cole, Stephanie Squicciarini, Irena Skrobach

Staff: Terry Buford, Karen Hultz

Board liaison: Gail Bello

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Agenda: Moved, seconded, approved.

<u>Public input</u>: Mark Scuderi: Commented about the expense of the Kings Park proposal. Opined that school districts cause division between east and west parts of the town so 2 senior centers and 2 libraries would be acceptable. Said town budget has enough money to expand both branches.

Ray McDonald: Congratulated the director and his staff for the great job they do. Asked about the status of plans for the library.

Tim Golan: Opined that town citizens want 2 branches. Suggested \$5 mil plus would cover expansion of 2 branches to 36,000 square feet. Suggested removing the public works building and using that land.

Greg Devlin: Concerned about time it takes to look for land, bond, build. Time is now to do something with these buildings.

Debbie Guletti: Resident from east side of the town supports keeping 2 branches.

Discussion ensued about status of the roofs.

Approval of minutes of February 20, 2008: Moved, seconded, approved.

<u>Vouchers</u>: Bolded: #70, Anthony Electric for repair of emergency lighting at McGraw. #78, CMRS, postage meter refill. #79, CSS Technology, for DVD and CD repair service. #87 Monroe Piping, 3 HVAC repairs. Moved, seconded, approved.

<u>Director's report</u>: Attached.

President's Report: L.Wehner declined offer of Honorary Board membership.

<u>Friends liaison</u>: Cookbook is being proofed. Should be in time for Mother's Day distribution. 2009 calendars are being ordered. Renewal reminder and membership card are being designed. Tote bag sales will be discussed at next meeting.

<u>Town Board liaison</u>: Suggested library trustees review the public input policy and have it available at Board meetings. Town board continues to look at options for the library.

<u>Collection policy</u>: Director reviewed policy. Procedures to review denial of request to remove material are not included; should be added. Adjourned to next meeting.

<u>Building conditions</u>: Presented by Karen Hultz, manager of McGraw branch, and Executive Director Buford. Reports attached. McGraw: A/C repair estimate due next week. Heating unit held together with duct tape and wire; will not withstand further repair. Estimate of replacement several years ago was \$9-10,000. Furniture is in bad shape. Bookshelves are warping and pulling away from the walls. Metal shelving is deteriorating. At Evans, water from ponding in the driveway is infiltrating the basement. Thomas Group report cited additional issues such as air handling, for example, fumes from delivery trucks are sucked into the building. Circuits blow regularly; electrical system insufficient and difficult to fix. Remodeling: asbestos issues will be expensive. Top priority now is HVAC at McGraw.

Adjourned, 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Cole, secretary