

**Womelsdorf Community Library Board Meeting
January 28, 2003**

Present:

D. Beamesderfer
T. Bradburn
N. Chamberlain
V. Cook
C. Edwards
H. Grimes
K. Matthew
G. Reed

President Grimes called the meeting to order at 7PM and welcomed our new members, Kathie Matthew and Theresa Bradburn. The minutes of the December meeting were amended as follows: Board member officers for 2003 are – President: Harriet Grimes; Vice President: Dian Beamesderfer; Recording Secretary: Vaneesa Cook; Corresponding Secretary: Carolyn Edwards; Treasurers: Nancy Chamberlain with Gerry Reed. Also, the Board wishes to record that it is not purchasing a color copier or color printer as suggested at the Nov. and Dec. meetings.

The Treasurer's report was accepted subject to audit.

Correspondence:

Three donations were received since the Dec. Meeting. Two \$25 gifts were sent by citizens. \$50 was donated by Marion Township.

Friends:

The trip to the Philadelphia Flower Show is planned for March 4th.

Systems Meeting Report:

The state passed legislation allowing libraries to waive the Maintenance of Effort standard circumstantially. Patron counters have been installed on library doors to keep track of walk-in business. Systems is adding a new story reader, and there is a new computer lab. Any suggestions for classes to be held in the new computer lab are welcomed. The annual Systems awards ceremony winners were also announced.

Librarian's Report:

Circulation for Dec. 2002 was 1684 compared to the 1456 circ. count of Dec. 2001. Total circulation for 2002 was numbered at 25, 574 compared to 21, 704 in the year 2001. In January, the librarian and staff were busy rearranging the children's section to make it more user and space efficient. There are now stickers identifying books in series, accelerated reading books, easy readers, and chapter books for junior readers. A new story time hour is being started for Fridays. Another change for Fridays is that the library will be opened from 9-1PM. The Summer Reading Program for 2003 is going to be

themed "Get in the Game". Libraries are encouraged to tailor summer programs around the theme. Also, an adult summer reading contest, modeled after the children's contest, might be implemented this season. April 8th is *An Evening at Amhearst* – "A Night with Emily Dickinson". Carol requested \$27 to attend the "Raising Readers Begins at Birth" program. D. Beamesderfer made the motion, seconded by C. Edwards. Motion carried.

Unfinished Business:

Four library street signs and a curb trashcan were ordered. Carpeting for the conference room was selected from samples. The competition for Womelsdorf anecdotes will be announced in next month's Borough Newsletter.

New Business:

Quickbooks Finance was suggested as a possible training course to be given at the Systems computer lab. N. Chamberlain made a motion to begin a new newsletter, modeled after Robeson's *Weiser Thoughts*, to help with library promotion. Motion seconded by C. Edwards, who will assist Chamberlain on the project. Motion carried.

Motion to assign \$5000 towards preliminary plans for the library's addition. C. Edwards accepted the motion, seconded by K. Matthew, and motion carried.

A committee to evaluate the library director was formed. D. Beamesderfer, V. Cook, and C. Edwards will meet on Wednesday evening, February 12th to discuss the evaluation.

Motion to adjourn was made at 9:05PM. C. Edwards seconded, and the motion was carried.

