Womelsdorf Library Board Minutes April 19, 2005

Present: D. Beamesderfer, N. Chamberlain, V. Cook, C. Edwards, H. Grimes
President Grimes called the meeting to order at 7p.m. The Minutes from the March
meeting were read. D. Beamesderfer made the motion to accept
the minutes as written, seconded by N. Chamberlain.

Treasurer's Report: approved subject to audit

H. Grimes made the motion to formally hire Patricia Ann Krick BNT. Ass. as our new accountant. The motion was seconded by D. Beamesderfer, and the motion passed. We will meet with Ms. Krick on April 27th at 4p.m. D. Beamesderfer made the motion to purchase a parting-gift for Gerry Reed, our previous book-keeper. The motion was seconded by N. Chamberlain and the motion passed. A motion to pass the 2006 budget, pending a 24 cent

correction on page 2, was made by C. Edwards, seconded by D. Beamesderfer

and passed.

Correspondence: a thank you card was sent to the Women of Today for their donation; also, a thank you card was sent to the judges of this year's photo contest. The library received a \$250 donation from the Berks County Community Foundation, in the name of Charles and Ruth Shartle. This \$250 is the first donation of a hereby annual endowment to the Womelsdorf Library. A motion was made by D. Beamesderfer to place the \$250 in a special account for library furnishings purchased as part of the remodeling plans. The motion was seconded by C. Edwards and the motion passed.

Capital Campaign: an \$800 donation was received from D. Doherty, H. Grimes' sister. We discussed different options to honor substantial donors once the building project/new library is complete.

Librarian's Report: March 2005 circulation totaled 4282 as compared to 3321 in March 2004. March Collection Expenditures totaled \$1427.61.

Friends Report: V. Cook will be the new liaison to the revitalized Friends of the Womelsdorf Library group, which meets the first Friday of every month.

New Business: D. Beamesderfer made the motion to allow N. Chamberlain, H. Grimes, and M.A. Beamesderfer to co-sign checks for the library or Capital Funds Campaign, along with our accountant Pati Ann Krick. V. Cook seconded the motion, and the motion passed. The trustees discussed new ways to communicate with the library staff about the Capital Project or library programs. H. Grimes, N. Chamberlain, and C. Edwards reported on the Trustees Institute workshop they attended in Hershey. N. Chamberlain will chair a committee to organize the Janet Evanovich party planned for this summer. Our meeting with the Borough Council is Tuesday, May 3, 2005 at 7 p.m. D. Beamesderfer made the motion to increase the Library Director's salary by 5%. The motion was seconded by N. Chamberlain and the motion passed.

V.Cook made the motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by N. Chamberlain. The meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

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Womelsdorf Library Board Special Minutes Finalizing the Building Plans Olsen & DeTurk Proposed Addition April 5, 2005

Present: D. Beamesderfer, M.A. Beamesderfer, N. Chamberlain, V. Cook, C. Edwards, H. Grimes, M. Motchenbacher, L. Smith, C. Weisman President Grimes called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., and Larry Smith of Olsen & deTurk began his presentation of current building plans.

Some points to consider as building project moves forward: the library will have to negotiate with Borough Police over the shared space on the first floor (basement level) during and after renovations; there will need to be an exit door out the rear of the existing building. Also, there will be limited use of the parking lot behind the building during construction due to equipment and contractor trailers needing room for work.

Library Board members suggested placing the librarian's current desk behind the circulation desk, and making the finished library wireless to encourage laptop use. We will need to equip the doors with tone bells to alert the staff of patrons entering or exiting the library (especially rear door). We requested as many outlets as possible for computers along east wall of library. C. Weisman requested that Olsen & deTurk send him a more detailed description of proposed duct work, heating and cooling, and electrical plans.

Olsen & deTurk plan to put out bids in June or July 2005, and award the project to the lowest reasonable bidder in August or September 2005. Groundbreaking is tentatively estimated to be in early fall 2005. The estimated time for completing the project will be stipulated at about 7-8 months.

D. Beamesderfer made the motion to accept the plans as revised. The motion was seconded by C. Edwards and passed by the Board. Board members will propose the plans to Borough Council on Tuesday, May 3rd, 2005.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by V. Cook and seconded by N. Chamberlain. The meeting was adjourned at 9 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

V. Cook Recording Secretary