

Facilities Committee Meeting

April 18, 2013

- I. **Call to order.** The meeting was called to order at 4:00. Technical adjustments were made to ensure everyone could participate.
- II. **Members present.** Joan Rhoades (Chair), Jim Matthews, Libby Letterly, George Trammell, Juliette Douglas (ex officio), Susan Mendelsohn, Janet Hasten, Leslie Bednar (ex officio), Karen Bounds (ex officio)
- III. **Public Comments** no public comment
- IV. **Approval** of March 11, 2013 minutes was unanimous with no changes save to misspelled names
- V. **Old Business**
 - a. **Status of Southern site search (Juliette)** Not much progress. Four different sites have been reviewed. Intending to make a decision by the end of the month in order to facilitate the move by early summer. A member library wondered why we were not moving further north. We have not found a suitable property in West Frankfort, for example. Mount Vernon is believed to be too far north and too near the Champaign district boundary.
 - b. **Status of sale of Decatur site (Juliette)** We have received a new appraisal. Realtors will examine to determine asking price. Realtor is aware that we do not like to sell below market value. Sale contract will be prepared for Monday April 22. The property then will be listed. The asking price will be discussed in Executive Committee at full board meeting.
 - c. **Status of sale of Edwardsville lot (Juliette)** Second deposit has been made. We are not willing to lower the price. We are still moving forward.
- VI. **New Business**
 - a. Hasten inquired on March 11 whether staff should continue to work in building during the time it is for sale. Realtor sees no problem. No expectation that service will be disrupted due to special nature of potential buyer market. If we move staff before we sell, we will have to incur extra cost since not everyone can work from home.

Committee members expressed concurrence to keep staff working in building.

- b. Hasten moved and Matthews seconded to move into executive session to discuss the possible future sale of sites as per the State Library. No opposition was voiced to the motion and the Committee passed into executive session.
- c. The Committee moved out of Executive Session with no action to be taken.

VII. Public comment. No comments were offered

VIII. Announcements

IX. Adjournment. Matthews moved to adjourn, Trammell seconded. The meeting adjourned at 5:30.

X. The next meeting will take place on May 14 by phone or by Adobe connect.

Respectfully submitted,

**James Matthews
Secrétaire du soir**