Minutes, Waverly Public Library Board of Trustees May 12, 2009

Present—Diana Blake, Larry Biddison, Elaine Main, Linda Podhajksy, Sarah Meyer Reyerson, Arne Waldstein, Frank Williams

Absent: Mark Anderson, Denise Timmerman, Deanna McCue,

Call to order at 5:15 p.m.—Blake, vice president

Agenda—Adopted (Waldstein moved/Williams seconded/unanimous vote)

Minutes, April 14, 2009—Approved (Biddison/Williams/unanimous)

Financial reports for April 2009—Approved as per standing resolution (Podhajsky/Biddison/unanimous). Budget for utilities is adequate. Building insurance is \$5,005. Friends of the Waverly Public Library money is purchasing BBC-produced DVDs. The budget is matching end-of-year expenses. Bremer County libraries share an Empowerment Grant, which is purchasing 20 preschool activity kits for the Waverly Public Library and early literacy educational tools. A second check completes Bremer County's annual funding (\$46,199).

Library directional highway signs—Two signs are in place on Bremer Avenue. Sarah will check permissions and cost of additional signs.

Bridge construction—Alan Hagan is construction manager for a pedestrian bridge between the library and the Waverly Child Care & Preschool center. A curb cut at the child care center vs. a steel platform and moving ahead with concrete footings were discussed. The bridge will be seven feet wide angling north to the center.

During the librarian's report—

- The board agreed that Carl Dillon is authorized to select a replacement tree for the white pines taken down between the library gardens and the child care center.
- The board complimented Jon Wheeler on painting the west end of the ceiling and upper walls. Last year the youth area was painted; next year, the north area.
- The board heard that a new information desk will be installed June 4. Friends of the Waverly Public Library approved \$750 toward this project.
- As city staff liaison for the Waverly Historical Preservation Commission, Sarah reported that
 post-flood surveys by Iowa Homeland Security may help obtain historic district status for
 city areas, which could bring tax benefits.

Diana Blake utilized expertise of Jo Arthur, Frank Lundak, and Jim Moeller to suggest purchasing a Kimball piano for \$850. Some repairs and a dolly for moving the piano will also be necessary. The library's Special Projects Fund approved up to \$1,500.

The meeting was adjourned at 6 p.m. (Williams/Waldstein/unanimous).

Respectfully submitted, Elaine Main, Secretary pro tem