

MINUTES OF A COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES OF THE
BARRINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

A Committee of the Whole Meeting was held at 5:00 p.m. on August 13, 2012. It was called to order by Carolyn Clifford, President pro tem at 5:10 p.m.

Present and acting as trustees:

Carolyn Clifford, Vice President
Henry G. Wisniewski, Treasurer
Kathleen A. Peterson, Secretary
Richard J. Ryan, President Emeritus
Barbara A. Pintozzi
William J. Pizzi

Absent was:

Donald F. Minner, President

Also in attendance:

Detlev Pansch, Executive Director
Joe Huberty, architect, Engberg Anderson Design
Shawn Kelly, architect, Engberg Anderson Design
Rose Faber, Head of Adult Services
Ryann Uden, Head of Youth Services
Marie Thomas, Head of Circulation Services
Maripat Olson, Head of Technical Services

A presentation was made by the architectural firm of Engberg Anderson Design concerning the renovation of the Barrington Area Library. A slide show presentation acquainted the board with the latest design projections for the renovation. Joe Huberty, from Engberg Anderson Design, made the presentation.

An overview was given of the two options being offered. There were many new highlighted concepts introduced. The first and second floor options were also considered.

Among the highlighted new concepts introduced were the move to second floor of adult fiction and non-fiction and use of the first floor for the children's library featuring stations, a small theater and books categorized by subject and interest. It would provide for a very active, interactive setting for children's activities.

The first floor would contain an audio-visual area with DVDs for both children and adults. On the main floor would be a large section in the northwest corner devoted to computer technology, work stations, and small meeting rooms available with technological components.

Upon entering the library on the main floor, there would be a customer service desk to assist arriving patrons. Adjacent to this is a proposed Internet café with tables and some food service.

Renderings were provided of the new main staircase adjacent to the Zimmerman Room with the glass enclosures. It would open up the staircase to natural sunlight.

Adult Services, Youth Services and Technical Services work areas would be on the main floor in the south section of the library making them easily accessible to Circulation and the delivery of new books and materials.

The second floor would be highlighted by the opening of the wall overlooking the foyer/main entry of the library. It would have a comfortable seating area nearby so patrons could enjoy a wonderful view.

The floor plan displayed the movement of washrooms from the Circulation area to being next to the Meeting Room. The Meeting Room would be redesigned and the acoustics improved.

Questions and concept concerns were addressed by Joe Huberty. The cost comparison between basic and moderate budgets were addressed and discussion ensued.

The Committee of the Whole was adjourned at 6:45 p.m. The motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Wisniewski and seconded by Ms. Pintozzi.

Ayes: Clifford, Wisniewski, Peterson, Pintozzi, Pizzi, Ryan

Nays: 0

Absent: Minner

Motion CARRIED.

Kathleen A. Peterson, Secretary