Huntington City-Township Public Library Board of Trustees March 10, 2014

Present: Juanita Buzzard, Karen Batt, Fred Scheiber, Jamie Foday, Peggy Caley, Kathy Holtz **Absent:** Marianne Stoffel, Wil Kline

Peggy called the meeting to order.

Reading and Approval of Minutes: Minutes were approved at the end of last month's meeting. Fred moved to approve, Jamie seconded, motion carried.

Reading and Approval of Financial Report and Approval of Bills: Fred moved to approve financial report and claims, Jamie seconded, motion carried.

Report of the Librarian: Kathy reported on children's story hour. The District Library Federation meeting will be here April 10th. Kathy asked that both libraries be closed on that date. Juanita moved, Fred seconded, motion carried. Source codes for the computer systems needed approval. Fred moved, Karen seconded, motion carried. Person In Charge Manual was updated. It reflects current contacts and phone numbers and chain of command.

Committee Reports:

- **A. Search Committee** After phone interviews and contacts with Keister & Associates and Larry Corbus, the committee determined that it would be best for us to use a search firm and is therefore asking the board to approve the use of a search firm in the hiring of our new director. Fred moved, Karen seconded, motion carried. John Keister & Associates was the recommended firm at a cost of \$16,500 plus potential travel costs for the final candidates. Fred moved to hire them, Jamie seconded, motion carried.
- **B. Markle** After reviewing various options for renovating or building in Markle, Peggy recommended that we make a decision on whether we build or renovate so we can begin to pursue definite plans. After much discussion on the Town of Markle's offer to sell its property for \$10,000, a counter to the offer was suggested changing the purchase price to \$15,000 and changing the terms of demolition and removal of current building to the town as their responsibility. Fred moved, Juanita seconded, motion carried. Peggy will submit a letter with the offer this week.
- **C. Benefits Committee -** work continues; an update should be ready for Kathy's review and further recommendations in a couple of weeks.

Public Input: We received a very nice letter from Bob & Jo Ramsdell from Vicksburg, Michigan, complimenting our library - specifically the Indiana Room, Joan Keefer, Julie, and others.

Juanita moved to adjourn, Fred seconded, motion carried.