

## BEECHER COMMUNITY LIBRARY DISTRICT

Thursday, July 23, 2013 6:30 P.M.

### SPECIAL MEETING LIBRARY EXPANSION

Meeting was called to order & began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

**TRUSTEE ROLL CALL:** Biery, present; Bunte, absent; Czarnecki, present; Dean, present; Saller, present; Skold, present; Wehling, present. Jill Grosso and Carol Harris were also present.

President Biery began the meeting with an explanation of why she asked Carol to attend. Carol's 10 years' experience here, and her knowledge of the Children's and Junior collection are valuable to us in planning future expansion.

#### Carol's suggestions:

- Expand Junior section and make shelves 'age appropriate' (age 7 to young adult is all mixed together). Also, increase the collection of both fiction and 'non' in this age group, as the teachers still require books as reference for reports.
- Our reference section is rarely used...it can be moved upstairs.
- A couple more computers and a wireless printer would ease tension for staff. Maybe allow 15 minutes on the computer for a non-resident.
- Staff lounge.
- Expand the Large Print area for our changing demographic.
- Mystery section could be expanded.
- Get the children more involved here with projects. A Lego group perhaps.

Shirley gave an overview of the beginning plans as proposed by Mike Stanula. A 24 x 54 ft. addition, (up & down) ...approximately \$1 million cost. There are some concerns with cost over-run and the financial future. We will be getting \$8,000 less than last year in taxes from the county. Revenue options for financing the expansion are: bonds, mortgage, loan, Taxpayers (referendum), donations.

Gwen spoke next and proposed remodeling instead of a huge expansion.

With the \$690,000 available, we can maximize on what we have & try not to  
indebt ourselves.

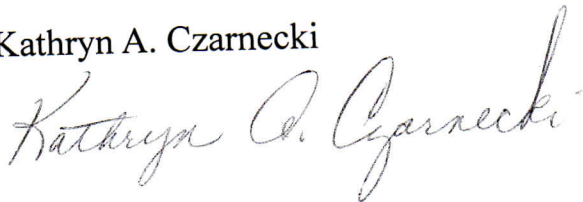
All those present had much to offer. Questions were raised, ideas presented  
and much enthusiasm was shown for getting the project started.

Shirley will ask Mr. George Obradavich, previous school superintendent, to  
come & speak.

Skold moved that we adjourn at 7:55 pm, seconded by Bunte.

**Biery, yes; Bunte, yes; Czarnecki, yes; Dean, yes; Saller,; Skold, yes;  
Wehling, yes. Motion carried.**

Kathryn A. Czarnecki

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kathryn A. Czarnecki". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the printed name.

Secretary