President Dennis Grimmer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the upstairs small conference room of the library. Also present were Board members Harriet Baker, Larry Morrison, Nancy Clark, Doug Distler, Betty Reed, Suzanne Rupright, Library Director Molly Seanlan and Shirley Seipp, recording secretary. Linda Kahley and Linda Gruchala were excused. Heidi Wiechert attended as a guest.

Secretary’s Report  A motion was made by L. Morrison to approve the March minutes and was seconded by N. Clark. All ayes. Motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report  D. Distler handed out his Budget Analysis YTD report and covered the highlights of the budget to actual tracking. The projection showed there should be a surplus in publications and Capital outlay at the end of this fiscal year. H. Baker made the motion to file for audit the March Treasurer’s Report. L. Morrison then seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

April Bills  A motion was made by H. Baker and seconded by N. Clark to approve payment of the presented bills. Roll call: D. Distler, aye; N. Clark, aye; H. Baker, aye; S. Rupright, aye; L. Morrison, aye; D. Grimmer, aye; and B. Reed, aye. All ayes. Motion carried.

Librarian’s Report  There were only three applicants for the assistant director position and only one of the three was qualified for the position. D. Grimmer asked that we extend the application deadline preferring to get five applications to choose from or at least three viable choices for the position. Since Sunday is one of the busiest days for the library, a “floater” will be employed to help assist the regular staff. Molly will be interviewed by Chris Hayes from Fox 2 News next Wednesday. They will discuss the issue of the veteran’s real estate tax exemption that will have a large negative impact on the library’s tax revenue. Molly will be meeting with the new mayor, Herb Roach. She will extend an invitation to him to attend a library board meeting. The senior villas being constructed next to the library will not be completed for at least another year.

Friends of the Library  H. Baker handed Molly a check in the amount of $3000 from the profits of the Friends recent book sales! They are currently planning for their major book sale to be held May 11th – 15th.

Book Discussion Group  L. Morrison reported that the group totally enjoyed the book The Wright Brothers, by David McCullough. The book they are reading in April is The Sun Also Rises, by Ernest Hemingway. The group meets the fourth Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. at the library. The Books and Brew book club is reading A Miracle at Atatu: The Rescue of CG-1600, by Bill Peterson. The group meets at Global Brew.

Public Comment  Heidi Wiechert expressed her excitement over the recent and pending changes to the library.

Topics for Future Consideration  None

Unfinished Business  Molly informed the board that Bel-O has still not sent her a bid for the HVAC.
New Business  Ryan Johnson won a contest out of 300 entries for a new library website from Demco. This spotlight website is valued at $3000 a year and the library now gets it for free for three years! In addition, Ryan won a trip to ALA in Chicago this summer, all expenses paid.

Adjournment  There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shirley Seipp
Recording Secretary

Approved by O'Fallon Public Library Board Action

Nancy K. Clark, Secretary