Burlington Public Library  
Board of Directors Meeting  
April 2, 2013  
DRAFT

PLACE: Anne L. Walluk Community Room  
ATTENDANCE: Hasskarl, Selinger, Mazeau, Eberhard, Mullen, Winter, Kryzanski, Ragaisis, Troiani, Hierl, Jennetta  
CALL TO ORDER: 7:34 pm

Minutes 03/05/13: Hierl motioned to accept. It was seconded by Winter and carried.

TAC business: Student Rep. Jennetta presented report. There was a 13 attendee TAC meeting on 03/14. The next meeting is scheduled for 04/11/13. Book reviews are posted. Under Sarah’s direction the group has adopted various BPL volunteer projects, i.e., labeling, book fairs, and the biography section. Overall, the TAC group enjoys this volunteer participation.

Director’s report: 1) Hasskarl presented budget up to 04/02/13. It was noted that the Library should request funding in the 2014 – 2015 budget for Programs ($500) and Computers ($500) 2) National Youth Service Day: Hasskarl nominated our teen rep for this award. 3) Budget 2013/14 vote will be Tues. June 4th. The Board of Finance has 5 more meetings scheduled to approve all town budgets before the 05/22/13 Town Hearing. We should know status before the May 2013 Town Hearing. The BOF has reported that the town’s Grand List is flat this year. 4) March 2013 Highlights: March was a busy month. A new children’s program: Lego Lit, was added. 5) Circulation: Overdrive for e-books continues to grow. 328 titles went out in March 2013. Teen book circulation is also up. General circulation is lower for BPL and all libraries in the state. 6) A new ‘gardening group’ in town met at the BPL and is trying to attract members and get some momentum. The new garden club may “adopt” the library building for landscape beautification. A ‘collaborative art group’ comprised of Burlington/Harwinton residents and Region 10 is also in the works. 7) Hasskarl is working on two grants: a) for 2 more self contained Literacy Stations that contain 250 educational games for the BPL (via Main St. Community Foundation ($8,300.) and b) Hi Interest/Low Reading Level Packets placed in a back-pack sponsored by the Burlington Bell Fund. 8) Hasskarl introduced new BPL Library Assistant, Claire Strillacci, MLS, to the board. 9) A library use survey was passed out at Region 10 parent teacher conferences. 10) The library magazine donation drive is underway, “Love Your Library.” 11) Library card holders are renewed every 3 years, and are purged every 5 to be current.

Building: Punch List. 1) The attic gable louvers in the back are causing rain to blow in. Winter is working on the problem. 2) There is an eastern wall leak. 3) Trane will be at the BPL soon for the quarterly maintenance.

Ongoing Business: Village Center Plan: Selinger and Kryzanski reported on the recent meetings they attended. 1) The Village Committee is a 1 year committee charged with exploring and making recommendations to grow the village center area. 2) The village center area is designated as a village growth area and, as such, is eligible for funding. 3) An architectural firm is being hired to produce vignettes of Library Lane to spark the interest of potential developers.

New Business: Building Expansion Construction Committee: Hasskarl, Ragaisis and Winter volunteered. We will eventually need a fundraising committee, as well. Long Range Plan Committee: The 5 year plan needs to be revised and expanded into a 20 year plan. This is needed for the State Library and the BPL building committee. Directors agreed that the committee can be formed once the architecture firm has been approved and building plans are being created. Library use by teenagers was discussed. Their primary time frame could be from 2-4pm, about 2 hours a day. An additional 6 Laptop computers could be available to them if a $25. Cable lock secures the computer to a table. The board could clarify the policy on computer use to include laptop computers.

The next meeting is on 05/07/13 at 7:30pm.

Adjournment: 9:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol O. Troiani  
Recording Secretary