

MINUTES

MADISON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD PLANNING COMMITTEE JUNE 6, 2005

Convened: 4:40 p.m.

Present: Karlen, Palm, Taft, Hernandez, Wallner, Widder, Poulson, Kratsch,
J. Olson, Froistad, Roughen, Dimick

Absent: Falconer

Excused: Keys

Also Present: Dederling, Bruder, Nesbitt, Benno, Grogan, Olson, Sawyer

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:40 p.m.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Two corrections were noted: Item II should read "...Minutes of May 12, 2004."

Item III should read: "...A realistic number for a project of this nature absent a major fund raising donor..."

Poulson moved, seconded by Wallner, to approve the Minutes of April 28, 2005 as corrected. Motion passed unanimously.

Palm arrived at 4:45 p.m.

III. EXPLORE ALTERNATIVES FOR RENOVATION OF CENTRAL LIBRARY

The library is expected to raise ½ the cost of the renovation of the Central Library. Since we have been advised that we probably cannot raise ½ the cost needed to complete the original designed renovated library, it has been determined that we need to look at an alterative plan.

Will Bruder, the architect for the original plan, led the discussion to determine what areas could be reduced or eliminated to reduce the cost.

The following conclusions were reached:

Keep the LINK operations in this location.
Maintain administrative staff at this location.
Remove art gallery space.
Emphasize the public space
Convert garage space to public space.
Reduce exhibit space – auditorium foyer becomes exhibit/gallery space.
Raised stage is better than a raised seating area
Eliminate the third floor.
Cafe is an amenity, not a priority.

Taking these things into consideration, Mr. Bruder and HGA staff will develop an alternate plan to be presented at the Plan Cmte. meeting scheduled for June 7.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

(These Minutes are subject to the approval of the Library Board Plan Cmte.)