



**Call to Order**

President Roger Gilcrest called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

**Roll Call**

Present: Phyllis Zimmerman, Marilyn Carey, Joanne Baierwalter, Roger Gilcrest, Barbara Bryant, Billie Sheppard, Tim Heller, Nancy Turner and Beth Kroehler.

**Audience  
Comments**

Floor opened for comments. No action required.

**Minutes  
Motion**

Tim Heller moved and Billie Sheppard seconded to approve the minutes of the March meeting.

- All voted in favor of accepting the minutes of the March meeting.

**Assistant  
Director's  
Report**

Beth Kroehler:

- Introduced Alex Back the new Administrative Assistant/Payroll Specialist.
- Have been busy training and cleaning files.
- Announced 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC has been funded for another four years. Out of 75 applications we were one of 24 funded. We will be adding 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grades to the program. Replacing Summer Advantage with summer camps.

**Treasurer's  
Report**

Beth Kroehler reported:

We expect to receive an advance tax draw in May.

**Motion**

Claims:

- All accounts have been reconciled and are in balance.
- Claims were presented in the amount of \$289,120.31.

Marilyn Carey moved to approve the claims in the amount of \$289,120.31 and Joanne Baierwalter seconded.

- All voted in favor of approving the claims.

**House and  
Finance  
Motion**

No report.

**Personnel  
Committee**

No report.

**New  
Business**

Drew Shermeta conducted a tour of Connection Corner.

**Other**

A comment was made concerning how good the America's Music Program had been and suggested presenting the program again.

Discussed: What are the weak areas in the community? Are there ways MPL can utilize its strengths to strengthen the community?

- Praised current movement/progress of the community and the Library's involvement along with other neighborhoods and associations.
- Proposed strengthening of connection with senior citizens due as those groups have been losing funding.
- Possible young and old working together.
- Invest in youth because they will be around a lot longer.
- Continued connection with programs, not just one and done.
- Availability of funding from and to organizations.



**Adjourn**

11:02 am.

- Weakness in promoting programs, a need to publicize more and better.
- Look into what PR is being done and how to better reach the public.
- Emphasis on Sunday paper more than others, monthly ads in papers.