

**MINUTES
OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PARK RIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY HELD
MAY 13, 2008 AT 7:32 P.M. IN THE MEMORIAL ROOM OF THE LIBRARY**

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Shlomo Crandus, Chair; Margaret Harrison, Library Board; Janet Van De Carr, Library Director; Linda Egebrecht, Library staff.

ABSENT: Dorothy Hynous, Eileen O'Neill-Burke.

City of Park Ridge Community Survey Results

The Committee reviewed City's Community Survey results. It was discussed that the Community Survey contained very favorable feedback about the Library. However, there was little actionable information for the Library Board to use towards additional improvements.

PRPL Community Survey Update

Mrs. Van De Carr reported that all calling of residents for the Library's Community Survey has been completed and that NIU (Public Opinion Laboratory of Northern Illinois University) is compiling and analyzing the information. The results will be available for the June 17 Library Board meeting.

Mr. Peter Pearson is coming to Park Ridge on Monday, June 9 and the Morton Grove Library Board will be joining us for a presentation/discussion. A light supper will be served at 5:30 p.m.; the program will begin at 6:00 p.m.

Northbrook Public Library Visit

The Library Board's visit to the Northbrook Public Library was interesting. Those who attended felt that it was helpful to see a facility with similar circulation statistics and significantly more space. A big difference between NBPL and PRPL was that Northbrook felt comfortable while Park Ridge has become crowded in order to accommodate collections, patrons, and activities. Park Ridge has sacrificed comfort for function. Also, noteworthy was the number of NB patrons at the Library using study rooms, meeting rooms, and other gathering spaces.

Adjournment: 8:15 p.m.

Shlomo Crandus, Chair