

DEWITT DISTRICT LIBRARY (DDL) BOARD

DeWitt District Library, Woodruff Room
13101 Schavey Road, DeWitt, Michigan 48820

February 26, 2015 Special Meeting Minutes

A. The meeting was called to order by President Byars at 5:01 pm.

Members Present: Paul Perpich, Lysne Tait, Brian Byars, Emily Fenneuff, Bill Fullmer (left at 6:00pm).

Members Absent: Wayne Summers, Kara Zech Thelen.

Also Present: DDL Director Jennifer Balcom , Ass't Dir. Mindy Schafer.

B. Agenda: The Special Meeting was called to meet with Design firms who submitted proposals regarding improving the current library space and utilization. (2 of 3 firms)

C. The firm of c2ae: Bill Kimble, Pres. and Chairman, Dennis Jensen, Partner. The board indicated they were interested in ideas and thoughts regarding possible and feasible modifications in the current space/property. Mr. Jensen went through the various plans they had drafted and described the rationale behind each. All involved some degree of additional space, from modest to plans involving the purchase of contiguous property. This produced numerous questions and good discussion of key factors, costs, and related issues. The design firm seemed clear that the most cost-effective approach is a new construction on the property on DeWitt Rd., when the community is ready.

D. The firm of Chris DeBear, Library Design: Gave an overview of their expertise and experience. Described how they work with architects and builders to achieve desired outcomes. He then indicated he will submit a bid to work with us on a plan to rehab and modify the interior space of the present building.

E. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 7:42 PM.

Next Regular Meeting: March 12 , 2015, 5:00pm, DDL.

Next Regular Meeting : April 9 , 2015, 5:00pm, DDL.

Respectfully submitted by Bill Fullmer, Secretary