



**Oak Park Library Board
November 17, 2009**

Betty K. Johnson, Observer

The meeting convened at 7:30 pm with all Board members and the Director and Assistant Director present.

Planning is underway for evaluation of the Executive Director. New evaluation forms are being developed.

The financial reports, which included disbursements for October, were approved. It was decided to include a summary indicating cash status with future financial statements.

RoseAnn Vonesh gave an extensive report on electronic resources. A great deal of research has been done. Some parts of the program are free; others will come with a charge. Ms. Vonesh would like to have a marketing plan for each category and is planning to make access to online tools available to all patrons of the Library. She demonstrated how information could be easily accessed.

Director Brennan's report included an update on SWAN migration which is making the program increasingly useful to the Library. Ms. Brennan continues to work on finding replacement upholstery for the lobby. Library staff is working closely with the police and the township to solve ongoing problems/incidents with teenagers. Plans are underway for staff development day on December 11.

The Senior Management Team has read and discussed the book "Managing in Transition" by William Bridges and has found many helpful ideas. Ms. Brennan participated in a statewide summit on libraries on November 9 and found agreement with other libraries on the problems currently facing libraries.

Assistant Director Madigan and Janet Kelenson hosted a tour for staff and a trustee from Ella Johnson Memorial Library in Hampshire, IL. The group was particularly interested in the community's participation in the planning and construction of the Main Library. Mr. Madigan is working with an ad hoc committee to determine what statistics should be kept and for how long. The Assistant Director continues to participate in the Library's Twitter Group and as a Reading Buddy with a first-grade boy.

Mr. Madigan submitted the Per Capita Grant forms which reflected a state-wide budget cutback. Additional time was spent on funds management.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.