The Scenic Regional Library Boards of Trustees met on July 19, 2011 at the Union Library. Dan Wilson presided at the meeting. Those attending the meeting were JoAnn Schweissguth, Carla Robertson, Susan Richardson, Karen Holtmeyer, John Cheatham, Kathi Ham, Diann Wacker, Louise Baker, Carol Bell, Joy Dufrain, Bob Niebruegge, Jim Davis, Paula Sutton, Vivienne Beckett and Ken Rohrbach. John Barry was absent.

Dan Wilson asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the previous board meeting. Hearing none he stated that the minutes of the June 21, 2011 meeting would stand approved as mailed.

The Financial Report was reviewed. Ken Rohrbach noted the following: balances in the county accounts, receipt of the final website grant payment, the directors and officers insurance premium, automation expenses to MLNC and St. Charles City County Library and the bill for the annual audit. Joy Dufrain made the motion to approve the Financial Report and transfer of funds. Carla Robertson seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

The Summer Reading program activities to date were reported. Ken Rohrbach detailed the progress on the St. Clair renovation project. The following board members expressed their intention to attend the MLA annual conference: Dan Wilson and Joy Dufrain. The 2012 LAGERS rate will be 11.3%, up from 10.3% in 2011. Information articulating the library’s LAGERS account was distributed. Vivienne Beckett summarized program events that had occurred and highlighted upcoming events.

There was discussion on setting the date of the county tax hearings. The date will be set in the individual county meetings.

Preliminary assessed valuations from the three counties were reviewed. The information is incomplete at this time. These figures were compared to the projections made in December 2010 for the 2011 budget. It was noted lack of a 2011 tax calculator from the State Auditor is slowing tax levy calculation process.

Carol Bell made a motion to elect Susan Richardson as President of the Regional Board. Jim Davis seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.
Carla Robertson made a motion to elect Joy Dufrain First Vice President of the Regional Board. JoAnn Schweissguth seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Diann Wacker made a motion to elect Bob Niebruegge Second Vice President of the Regional Board. Louise Baker seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Ken Rohrbach detailed issues surrounding the library’s policy of making part time employees eligible for health insurance if they are budgeted to work 1,000 hours per year. The employee is responsible for one half of the premium. Participation has been very low and sometimes nonexistent. It has become necessary to schedule some employees for fewer hours so they can remain eligible on spouse’s insurance. Consideration is also given to Missouri Consolidated HealthCare Plan’s 75% participation requirement. It would be possible to grandfather in any currently covered part time employee if the library were to change its policy. The possibility of raising the number of hours for eligibility was raised. This issue will be revisited.

Computer bids for the 2011 Gates grant purchases were presented. John Cheatham made a motion to accept the low bid of $7,742.92 from BMI Technologies. Susan Richardson seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

Bob Niebruegge made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Diann Wacker seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.