

Minutes for October 17, 2023 Regular Board Meeting

1. Call to Order and Roll

President Matthew Fruth called the meeting to order at 6:30pm. Secretary Susanne Fairfax took roll.

Present: Matthew Fruth, Susanne Fairfax, Kristina Rogers, Virginia Bloom, Theodore Foss, Maya Ganguly.

Absent: Madhurima Chakraborty.

Also attending: Joslyn Bowling Dixon, Executive Director, Lori Pulliam, Deputy Director, Billy Treece, Director of Finance and Human Resources, Jodi Kolo, Director of Communications, Stephen Jackson, Director of Equity and Anti-Racism, Matt Bartodziej, Director of Facilities, Leigh Tarullo, Director of Collections, Marcin Terlik, Director of Technology, Camayia Dantzer, Executive Assistant.

Public commenters: Suzen Riley.

2. Review and Approval of September 26, 2023 Regular Meeting Minutes

Foss motioned to approve. Bloom seconded. Approved by all trustees.

3. Public Comments

Suzen Riley praised the library for the many resources that are available and the impact it has made to her and the community.

4. Trustee Comments and Calendar

Foss stated he will be attending the ILA conference in Springfield for the Trustee Day portion of the conference.

5. Executive Directors Report

Bowling Dixon gave a highlight on the training that the Leadership Team had with LifeLabs in September.

6. Staff Reports

a. Strategic Priorities Report

b. Library Core Use Statistics

c. Additions and Terminations Report

Bowling Dixon highlighted Jim Boguslawki, who did 27 years of service to the library.

d. Staff Changes Report

7. Financial Reports

a. September 2023 Financial Reports

The board reviewed the financial statements dated September 30, 2023.

b. Resolution of Disbursements

Fairfax motioned to approve. Ganguly seconded. Approved by all trustees.

8. Additional Reports

a. Intergovernmental Committee (IGOV): Fairfax attended and reported on the election of the representative from District 97 and the planning of an event centered around mental health.

b. Council of Governments (CoG): Did not meet.

c. PlanIt Green: Did not meet.

d. Friends of the Oak Park Public Library: Did not meet.

9. Unfinished business

a. **2024 Budget Draft 3:** Bloom motioned to approve. Ganguly seconded. Approved by all trustees.

i. **Resolution Setting Forth Financial Requirements for the Fiscal Year Beginning January 1, 2024:** Foss motioned to approve. Rogers second. Approved by all trustees. A roll call vote was made to approve the resolution.

b. **2024 Strategic Plan and Logic Model:** The board discussed the library's strategic plan and logic model that will be implemented for 2024.

c. **Anti-Bullying Policy:** Ganguly motioned to approve. Rogers second. Approved by all trustees.

10. New business

Bowling Dixon discussed the capital reserve process and the assessing of the Main Library building and infrastructure for potential improvements.

11. Adjournment

Fruth adjourned the meeting at 8:14pm.