

**ROCKFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**March 25, 2024**

**RPL Nordlof Center, 118 N. Main St.**

**Large Multipurpose Room**

**Meeting Minutes**

A quorum being present Board President Paul Logli called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Members present: Paul Logli, Molly Brauns, Jamie Getchius, Janet Moore (Via Webex), Brad Long, Dennis Horton, Cesar Sanchez, Henrietta Dotson-Williams

Members Absent: Colleen O'Brien

Others present: Board Attorney John Rearden

Staff present: Lynn Stainbrook, Anthony Cortez, Dawnna Mims, Brook Loomis, Anne O'Keefe

Public Speakers: Amy Pfeifer, Janella Harper Herbig, Morgan Yordy, Stefon Wells.

Each speaker was allotted 3 minutes.

**Minutes**

Minutes of the previous meetings were presented to the Board. Hearing no questions or corrections to the minutes, President Logli approved the minutes.

**Financial Report**

1. **Monthly Financial Statements:** Monthly Financial Statements: Anthony Cortez submitted financial statements for the month ending February 29, 2024, and reviewed them with the Trustees. Discussion followed. The Financial Statements were accepted subject to final audit.

**Officers Reports**

Board President Paul Logli – None

Vice President Molly Brauns -None

Secretary Treasurer Jamie Getchius – None

**Committees**

**Financial Planning and Properties Committee**

- a. Affirm Change Orders #205, 221-228 [action]: Secretary Jamie Getchius asked for further clarification regarding change orders #221 & #222. Discussion followed. The Changes Orders were placed up for affirmation. A Roll Call vote was taken: Paul Logli-Yes, Jamie Getchius-Yes, Brad Long- Yes, Molly Brauns-Yes, Henrietta Dotson-Williams- Yes, Dennis Horton-Yes, Janet Moore-Yes, Cesar Sanchez-Yes. The item passed unanimously.
- b. Approve Tenant Rentals at RPL Nordlof Center [action]: Secretary Getchius informed the Board that there was no rental contract to approve but discussion had taken place regarding a potential lease of a Nordlof Space to a local photographer. Discussion followed. No Action was taken.
- c. Approve Rental Rates for Replacement Main Meeting/Event Space [action]:

Secretary Getchius introduced the proposed rental rates and exclusive vendor status for a caterer to the Board. Lynn Stainbrook endorsed the choice of caterer. Discussion followed. Secretary Getchius placed the rate schedule and preferred caterer up for passage. By unanimous Voice Vote, the item passed.

## **B. Policies And Services Committee**

- a. Approve Revisions to Policy 1.2 Mission Statement [action]: Vice President Molly Brauns introduced the updated Mission Statement to the Board. Discussion followed. President Logli called for approval by voice vote; the revised policy passed unanimously.
- b. Approve Revisions to Policy 1.3 Vision Statement [action]: Vice President Molly Brauns introduced the updated Vision Statement to the Board. Discussion followed. President Logli called for approval by voice vote; the revised policy passed unanimously.
- c. Approve Revisions to Policy 1.4 Guiding Principles [action]: Vice President Molly Brauns and Director Stainbrook introduced the revised policy to the Board. Discussion followed. President Logli called for approval by voice vote; the revised policy passed unanimously.
- d. Approve Changes to Policy 5.1 Meeting Room Use-Branches [action]: Vice President Molly Brauns introduced the revised policy to the Board. Discussion followed. President Logli called for approval by voice vote; the revised policy passed unanimously.

### **Staff Reports**

Director of Development Brook Loomis gave Trustees current information regarding the upcoming Foundation Gala. Invites were distributed. A brief update on the building campaign was given.

### **Unfinished Business**

None

### **New Business**

A motion to move the meeting into Closed Session under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2) was made by Jamie Getchius and seconded by Molly Brauns. A Roll Call Vote was taken: Molly Brauns-Yes, Jamie Getchius-Yes, Henrietta Dotson-Williams-Yes, Dennis Horton-Yes, Brad Long-Yes, Janet Moore-Yes, Cesar Sanchez-Yes, Paul Logli-Yes. The motion passed unanimously. The following individuals were asked to remain: Tony Cortez, D'awnna Mims, and Board Attorney John Rearden.

The group moved into closed session at 6:50 p.m.

At 7:24 p.m. President Logli called for a motion to return to open session. A motion was made by Jamie Getchius and Seconded by Brad Long. By unanimous Voice Vote, the motion passed.

Trustees moved back into open session:

Trustees expressed their concern over the ticket price for the GALA. President Logli informed the trustees that Brook Loomis, Development Director, has offered one free ticket to each Trustee. Discussion followed.

President Logli made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Brad Long.  
The meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Monday, April 22, 2024, at 6 p.m. in the Large Multipurpose Room of the RPL Nordlof Center, 118 North Main Street [use south entrance].

Mary Pat Muzzarelli  
Recorder