

ROCKFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 3, 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, Colleen O'Brien, Henrietta Dotson-Williams, Cesar Sanchez

Members Absent: Dennis Horton, Brad Long, Janet Moore

Others present: Board Attorney John Rearden, Sara Dorner

Staff present: Lynn Stainbrook, Anthony Cortez, Bridget Finn, Janella Harper Herbig, Brook Loomis, Noel Devine, Anne O'Keefe, and Erin Stachowiak

Public Speakers: None

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 April 20, 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

President Logli moved New Business to the top of the agenda:

New Business

1. Appointment of the Nominating Committee:
President Logli named Cesar Sanchez as the Chair of the nominating Committee and the 2 additional members will be Janet Moore and Dennis Horton.
2. President Logli then asked the Trustees for a motion to go into closed session under Section 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2). Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning the salary schedules for one or more classes of employees and possible Litigation.
A motion was made by Jamie Getchius and seconded by Colleen O'Brien. By a unanimous Roll Call Vote, the motion passed unanimously.

At 6:07 pm President Logli invited Board Attorney John Reardon, Noel Devine, and Anthony Cortez to attend closed session and dismissed the gallery.

With Closed Session completed President Logli called for a motion to return to open session. A motion was made by Jamie Getchius and Seconded by Molly Brauns. By unanimous Voice Vote, the motion to return to open session was approved at 6:43 pm.

Trustees moved back into open session:

No action was taken during Closed Session regarding the Closed session under 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2). Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning the salary schedules for one or more classes of employees and possible Litigation.

Committees

Financial Planning and Properties Committee

- a. Affirm Change Orders #234, 237, 239 & 240 [action]: Secretary Jamie Getchius presented Change orders to the Trustees. Discussion followed. The Change Orders were placed up for affirmation. By a unanimous Roll Call Vote, the change orders were affirmed by the Board.
- b. Approve Proposed Bargaining Unit Agreement [action]: Secretary Getchius Discussion Followed. By a unanimous Roll Call Vote, the Bargaining Unit Agreement was approved. The contract will now be sent to the Mayor of the City of Rockford and the City Council for final approval.
- c. Approve Bid for Building Cleanings [action]: Secretary Getchius introduced the memo from Anthony Cortez requesting Peterson Cleaning be awarded the contract for cleaning of RPL. Discussion followed. By a unanimous Roll Call Vote, the Board approved awarding the bid to Peterson Cleaning.
- d. Approve Bid/RFP for Security-Replacement Main [action]: Secretary Getchius asked that the Board approve the hiring of PalAmerican for Security Services at New Main. Discussion followed. By a unanimous Roll Call Vote, the Board approved awarding the contract to PalAmerican.

Policies & Servies

No action Items but Vice President Molly Brauns discussed the tour the committee took of Replacement Main.

Staff Reports

Brook Loomis reported on the Gala and funds raised. Discussion Followed. A very complimentary thank you note was read to the Board from a Gala attendee. Potential fundraising opportunities were discussed.

Bridget Finn invited the Board to the Friends and Family Event on June 8th from 4pm until 7pm. The Trustees were sent an invite through email.

Anne O'Keefe discussed plans for the Grand Opening on June 22, 2024. The planning committee envisions that after the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, partner agencies, volunteers and staff will be providing activities throughout the day. In addition, AOHS has 47 graduates.

Unfinished Business

Lynn Stainbrook noted that the Library will be closing all branches on June 8th at 4 pm to allow staff to attend the Friends and Family event at the Replacement Main. In addition, Hart will close

at 4pm on Saturday June 8th and reopen to the public on June 22nd. The Board will need to approve these closures.

Lynn Stainbrook also noted that the Trustees will have a retreat in September of 2024. RPL will be sending out information regarding an agenda and possible dates.

President Logli adjourned the meeting at 7:05 pm.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Monday, June 24, 2024, at 6 p.m. in the Connie Lane Room of the Montague Branch Library.

Mary Pat Muzzarelli
Recorder