ROCKFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

April 28, 2025 Boardroom, Main Library 215 N. Wyman St. Meeting Minutes

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

Members present: Paul Logli, Molly Brauns, Henrietta Dotson-Williams, Dennis Horton, Brad Long, Jamie Getchius, Cesar Sanchez, Colleen O'Brien & Janet Moore (via Teams). Members Absent: none.

Others present: Board Attorney John Rearden

Staff present: Lynn Stainbrook, Anne O'Keefe, Anthony Cortez, Erin Stachowiak, Brook Loomis

Bridget Finn

Public Speakers

None

Minutes

Minutes of the previous meetings were presented to the Board. Hearing no objections from the Trustees, the minutes were approved.

Financial Report

1. Monthly Financial Statements: Monthly Financial Statements: Director of Finance, Anthony Cortez presented the Financial Statement to the Board for the month ending March 31, 2025. Discussion followed. The Financial Statements were accepted subject to audit.

2. Reports

Officer Reports:

Vice President Molly Brauns-Molly Brauns Congratulated Trustee Long on his RAMI Awards. She also discussed possible programming opportunities and encouraged the Trustees to listen to the RPL Pod Cast. In addition, she asked for further discussion regarding the vending machines and eating in the library. It was suggested the topic be added to the Policies & Services committee agenda.

Secretary Jamie Getchius-No Report

President Paul Logli-Paul Logli reminded the Trustees to participate in the RPL Capital Campaign, stressing the importance of 100% Board participation.

Committees

Financial Planning & Properties Committee-Treasurer Jamie Getchius presented the action items first and then there was discussion surrounding the 5Year Financial Projection.

- **a.** Approve the 2025 Non-Resident Card Fee [action]: Jamie Getchius presented the item for approval. Discussion followed. By unanimous Voice Vote, the item was passed.
- b. Approve Changes to the Fee Schedule 2024/2025 [action]: Jamie Getchius presented the item for approval. Discussion followed. By unanimous Voice Vote, the item was passed.

- c. Approve Changes to Policy 6.2 Contracting for Goods/Services and Works of Improvement [action]: Jamie Getchius presented the policy change for Board approval. Discussion followed. By unanimous Voice Vote, the item was passed.
- d. **Approve Capital Expenditure for Bobcat Mini-Loader [action]:** Jamie Getchius presented the request for Board approval. Discussion followed. By unanimous Roll Call Vote, the item was passed.
- e. Approve Capital Expenditure for Replacement Doors at East and Montague Branches [action]: Jamie Getchius presented present the request for Board approval. By unanimous Roll Call Vote, the item was passed.
- f. **5 Year Financial Projection [discussion]:** Jamie Getchius discussed the 5 Year Financial Projection with the Board. Discussion followed. No action was taken.

Policies and Services Committee-

- a. **Approve Changes to Board Policy By-Laws 1.1** [Action]: Vice President introduced the additions to the Board Policy By-Laws. Discussion followed. By Unanimous Voice Vote, the changes to the policy were approved.
- **3. Staff Reports**-President Logli reminded the Trustees that the Staff Reports are now located under a separate tab in My Board Packet.
- 4. Unfinished Business-none
- 5. New Business: Reschedule the May Meeting-President Logli asked that the Board of trustees change the date for the May Meeting to Tuesday, May 27th in observance of Memorial Day. A reminder will be sent out.
- 6. Closed Session: President Logli requested a motion to adjourn to closed session under: 5ILCS 120/2 (2) (11) to discuss possible litigation and 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (1) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees, specific individuals who serve as independent contractors in a park, recreational or educational setting, or specific volunteers of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or specific individual who serves as an independent contractor in a park, recreational or educational setting, or a volunteer of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.

A motion was made by Cesar Sanchez and seconded by Brad Long. By unanimous Voice Vote, the trustees adjourned into closed session at 6:45 p.m.

A motion to come out of closed session was made by Jamie Getchius and seconded by Brad Long. By unanimous Voice Vote, the Trustees returned to open session.

No Action was taken in Closed Session

President Logli adjourned the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, May 27, 2025, at 6 p.m. in the Boardroom, Rockford Public Library Main Branch

Mary Pat Muzzarelli Recorder