

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board of Library Trustees of the Orland Park Public Library held May 19, 2014

The meeting was officially called to order by President Healy at 7:00 p.m.

Call To Order

Members present: Julie Craig , Dan Drew, Beth Gierach , Nancy Healy, Diane Jennings, and Catherine Morrissey-Lebert

Roll Call

Members absent: Denis Ryan

Staff present: Mary Weimar, Library Director; Robin Wagner, Assistant Library Director; Scott Remmenga, Finance Manager; Bridget Bittman, Public Information Coordinator; Mary Adamowski, Head of Youth Services; Dana Pryor, Business Office Assistant

Guests: Jim Fessler, Klein Thorpe and Jenkins; Michael Barnes, Lohan and Anderson

Treasurer Jennings made a motion to approve the April 21, 2014 minutes. Trustee Gierach seconded the motion with a roll call vote as follows: Craig – abstain; Drew – aye; Gierach – aye; Healy – aye; Jennings – aye; Lebert – aye; Ryan - absent.

Minutes

Motion passed. 5 ayes, 1 abstain, 1 absent.

Michael Barnes, Lohan and Anderson

Introduction of Visitors

None.

Executive Session

President Healy read the following. On April 21, 2014 the Public Access Bureau issued a non-binding advisory opinion that the closed session discussion by the Orland Park Public Library's Board of Trustees held on January 23, 2014 did not violate the requirements of the Open Meetings Act. On May 2, 2014 the Public Access Bureau issued a non-binding advisory opinion that the Board did not comply with the Board's rules when altering the order of the January 20, 2014 Regular Board Meeting to move Public Comment to the end of the meeting. This opinion also advised that members of the public could speak on issues of importance to them, even if they had addressed the same issues at prior meetings. On May 19, 2014 the Public Access Bureau issued a non-binding advisory opinion that the Board violated the Open Meetings Act by holding a Special Board Meeting on February 12, 2014. This date is considered a legal state holiday by the Public Access Bureau. The Orland Park Library Board of Trustees is grateful to the Office of the Attorney General and appreciates the guidance given for these situations. These Public Access Bureau opinions are non-binding advisory opinions which the Illinois Appellate Court has ruled to be unenforceable and of no legal effect.

Board Statement

Public speakers introduced themselves and were given five minutes to speak in front of the Board. The speakers introduced themselves as follows:

Public Comment

1. Kevin DuJan, of London, U.K., spoke out against the recent actions of the Board of Trustees. He cited the May 19, 2014 State of Illinois Attorney General Public Access Bureau non-binding advisory opinion determination letter, finding the Board in violation of the Open Meetings Act. He calls for the immediate resignation of Vice-President Ryan and Treasurer Jennings from the Orland Park Public Library Board of Trustees and the voiding of any contract with Klein Thorpe and Jenkins. He demands the Board to produce any PowerPoint presentation he believes was published by the Library regarding the December 17, 2014 RAILS workshop.
2. Megan Fox, address withheld, contends that county-wide

corruption is stalling her investigation into the Library Board. She has made a personal investigation of the Library's security walk procedure and found them lacking. She also reports that a paroled registered sex offender has used the Library's facilities. She believes the Library and the ALA are against parents and do not care about the safety of children. She demands the resignation of President Healy and Director Weimar.

3. J.P., address withheld, shared his opinion that the Board of Trustees has not shown the public any respect. He relayed reports of other Illinois Board activities; issues the other Board's faced and resolutions that occurred. He wants the Library Board to admit to any wrongdoing and apologize to the public. He wants the resignations of Board Members.
4. Brian T., an Orland Park resident, spoke about the 2011 incident report of the access of child pornography in the Library without police repercussion. He criticized the Library for allowing a paroled registered sex offender to use the Library computers. He would like to see filters installed on the adult computers with a bypass that would allow patrons to request the filters to be removed during their session. He expressed his views that the Board has been stonewalling FOIA requests, filing false police reports, and behaved in an unacceptable and illegal manner. He calls for the resignation of Board members and the firing of general counsel.

Finance Manager Remmenga presented the Treasurer's Report as written.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Jennings moved to accept the Treasurer's Report. The motion was seconded by Trustee Drew with a roll call vote as follows: Craig – aye; Drew – aye; Gierach – aye; Healy – aye; Jennings – aye; Lebert – aye; Ryan - absent.

Motion passed. 6 ayes, 1 absent.

Secretary Lebert moved to approve the Accounts Payable Listing of April 22, 2014 through May 19, 2014 and was seconded by Treasurer Jennings with a roll call vote as follows: Craig – aye; Drew – aye; Gierach – aye; Healy – aye; Jennings – aye; Lebert – aye; Ryan - absent.

Motion passed. 6 ayes, 1 absent.

Correspondence

In the Board's packet, a list of all correspondence received electronically, by mail, or fax has been given to each Board member.

Librarian's Report

Grants/Exhibits/Displays/Projects

The Per Capita Grant monies have been received.

The Back to Books Grant monies have been received. The kit assembly has begun.

The Summer Reading Challenge 2014 brochure has been printed and is ready for distribution.

Miscellaneous

The circulation increased 2% over April of 2013.

The Orland Park Public Library has received from the District 135 Board of Education a Resolution Honoring Local Agencies and Officials.

The Library has received inquiries concerning memorials for past employees.

The Orland Park Public Library has been named the beneficiary of donations made in honor of Richard Fritz, husband of former Board Trustee Sharon Fritz.

Maintenance

The recently installed RTAC chiller will be replaced due to a bad seal at no charge to the Library.

Telephone System

Comcast Business is replacing Cimco as the Library's telephone provider.

No report at this time.

Other Staff Reports

No report at this time.

Building and Maintenance

No report at this time.

Finance

No report at this time.

Service & Policy

No report at this time.

Personnel

No report at this time.

Law

No report at this time.

Strategic Plan

No report at this time.

Capital Campaign Committee

Mr. Michael Barnes, of Lohan Anderson, discussed the current status of the lobby renovation and improvements planning. He reviewed progress made on identifying flooring options, lighting options, window film options, and door replacement options. Several Board members requested clarification on the impact of the door replacement project. Administration and Mr. Barnes explained the cause of the damage done to the current doors and the most cost-effective options available. Mr. Barnes further explained the positive results expected from replacing the damaged exterior doors. The Board requested additional information on the project bid process. Administration and Mr. Jim Fessler explained the steps required by law to obtain construction bids. Trustee Gierach has requested access to the bid documents and the completed bids received as soon as possible before the June Board Meeting.

Unfinished Business

Treasurer Jennings made a motion to recess at 7:52 p.m. per the request of the Orland Park Police. Trustee Gierach seconded the motion with a roll call vote as follows: Craig – nay; Drew – nay; Gierach – aye; Healy – aye; Jennings – aye; Lebert – nay; Ryan - absent.

Motion failed. 3 ayes, 3nay, 1 absent.

Motion to approve the 2014 Resolution for Service to Non-Residents. Director Weimar explained the formula used to calculate the cost of non-resident library cards. Treasurer Jennings moved to approve the motion. Trustee Gierach seconded the motion with a roll call vote as follows: Craig – aye; Drew – aye; Gierach – aye; Healy – aye; Jennings – aye; Lebert – aye; Ryan - absent.

New Business

Motion passed. 6 ayes, 1 absent.

Motion to accept the revision to the Adoption Agreement for 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan for Governmental Employees. Director Weimar discussed the adoption agreement's inception and the changes required. Trustee Gierach moved to accept the motion. Trustee Craig seconded the motion with a roll call vote as follows: Craig – aye; Drew – aye; Gierach – aye; Healy – aye; Jennings – aye; Lebert – aye; Ryan - absent.

Motion passed. 6 ayes, 1 absent.

Motion to accept the revision to the Orland Park Public Library's Mission Statement. Director Weimar explained the changes made to the Mission Statement. Trustee Gierach requested the Statement and Strategic Plan be published in such a way as to make it prominent to the public. Treasurer Jennings moved to approve the motion. Trustee Drew seconded the motion with a roll call vote as follows: Craig – aye; Drew – aye; Gierach – aye; Healy – aye; Jennings – aye; Lebert – aye; Ryan - absent.

Motion passed. 6 ayes, 1 absent.

Motion to approve the Resolution Adopting Indemnification of Officers and Employees Policy. Director Weimar recommended the Library adopts this policy. It is considered a standard policy for all libraries. Mr. Jim Fessler clarified the principles of indemnification for the Board. Treasurer Jennings moved to approve the motion. Trustee Drew seconded the motion with a roll call vote as follows: Craig – aye; Drew – aye; Gierach – aye; Healy – aye; Jennings – aye; Lebert – aye; Ryan - absent.

Motion passed. 6 ayes, 1 absent.

Treasurer Jennings made a motion to recess at 8:16 p.m. per the request of the Orland Park Police. President Healy seconded the motion with a roll call vote as follows: Craig – nay. Roll call vote was interrupted by discussion from multiple Board members.

Motion tabled at 8:19 p.m.

Motion to approve the Indemnification of Officers and Employees Policy. President Healy moved to approve the motion. Trustee Gierach seconded the motion with a roll call vote as follows: Craig – aye; Drew – aye; Gierach – aye; Healy – aye; Jennings – aye; Lebert – aye; Ryan - absent.

Motion passed. 6 ayes, 1 absent.

Update of the 2014-2015 Strategic Plan tabled to the June 2014 Regular Board meeting.

Trustee Drew made a request to add an agenda item to the June 16, 2014 Regular Board Meeting for discussion. Trustee Drew would like to discuss the adult computer unfiltered status and the firewalls in place at the Library. Secretary Lebert and Trustee Craig concurred. Trustee Gierach asked for further clarification on his request. Mr. Fessler, of Klein Thorpe & Jenkins, advised on how to make the request within the written By Laws of the Library.

Announcements

Treasurer Jennings moved to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 8:25 p.m.

Adjournment

Catherine Morrissey-Lebert
Secretary

Approved: _____

Date: _____

Minutes prepared by Dana Pryor