



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of
The Board of Trustees
Webster Groves Public Library
June 17, 2015

The meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Webster Groves Public Library was held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 17, 2015. President Nancy Marshall presided and Library Director Tom Cooper kept the minutes. Also present: Trustees Bill Kuc, Andrew Rushing, Bethany Curtis, Justin Hauke, Jackie Brenne, Peter Ruger, Joan Esserman; and Bob Herdler and Matt Dulick from Mass Mutual. Absent: City Council Liaison Greg Mueller, Trustee Nicole Chaput.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m.

Public Agenda

There was no public agenda.

Minutes of the May 20, 2015 Meeting

Mr. Ruger moved to accept the minutes as presented, Ms. Curtis seconded, and the minutes were approved.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

President's Report

Ms. Marshall noted that the counter-claim against the library by Frederich Construction has been dismissed in arbitration, and an award of \$147,000 assigned to the library. Frederich's bonding company, Traveler's Insurance, has agreed to pay the settlement amount. The last detail of this case that needs to be dealt with is negotiating a final payment to Powers Bowersox, and Craig Smith is working on that. She hopes that between Mr. Ruger and Mr. Cooper we can keep the trustees apprised of developments.

Librarian's Report

Mr. Cooper reported that he presented the Fiscal Year 2015-2016 Operating Budget in a public hearing before the City Council on June 16.

Advanced Planning

There was no report from this committee.

Automation/Systems

There was no report from this committee.

Building and Grounds

Ms. Marshall reported that the City had reviewed the plans for the second phase of our landscaping project. There will be no need to present them to the Architectural Review Board. We have been shown a sample of the proposed material for the seat wall at the corner of Orchard and Lockwood, and nobody likes it. We will ask to see samples in lighter colors that better match the library building.

Finance

Mr. Cooper noted that expenditures this month were fairly average. Ms. Curtis moved to approve the financial report as presented, Mr. Ruger seconded, and the report was approved.

Human Resource

Pursuant to Mo. Revised Statutes 610.021 (3), Ms. Marshall moved to enter closed session to discuss a personnel matter. Mr. Kuc seconded, and the meeting was closed.

Policy

There was no report from this committee.

Old Business

Ms. Esserman moved to approve the proposed slate of officers for FY 15-16:

Nancy Marshall—President

Bill Kuc—Vice President

Andrew Rushing—Secretary/Treasurer

Mr. Hauke seconded the motion, and the slate of officers was approved.

New Business

Because Traveler's Insurance has already agreed to pay the settlement amount for its client Frederich Construction, there was no need to proceed with discussion of a letter to them asking for it.

Adjournment

Mr. Rushing moved to adjourn, Ms. Esserman seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

The next meeting of the Library's Board of Trustees will be held on Wednesday, July 15 at 7 p.m.