



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of  
The Board of Trustees  
Webster Groves Public Library  
February 19, 2020

The meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Webster Groves Public Library was held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, February 19, 2020. President Nancy Marshall presided and Library Director Tom Cooper kept the minutes. Also present: Trustees Joan Esserman, Jenine Harris, Leanne Waugh, and Justin Hauke, and City Council Liaison Bud Bellomo. Absent: Trustees Bethany Curtis, Tess Thompson, Andrew Rushing, and Sherry Taylor.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Public Agenda

There was no public agenda.

Minutes of the March 20, 2019 Meeting

Ms. Esserman moved to accept the minutes as presented, Ms. Waugh seconded, and the minutes were approved.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

President's Report

There was no president's report.

Librarian's Report

Mr. Cooper pointed out that though he had not included it on the agenda, he is still working on answering some questions pertaining to the recent audit statement.

Advanced Planning

There was no report from this committee.

Automation/Systems

There was no report from this committee.

Building and Grounds

Mr. Cooper met with WG Building Commissioner Mara Perry. She pointed out that in order for the library to be approved to install a lighted digital sign it would require

not a variance, but an appeal of an ordinance. The chances for success are slim. Ms. Marshall opined that this likely puts an end to consideration of such a sign.

#### Finance

Mr. Hauke reviewed the financial report for January 2020. The budget has moved into underspent territory, but that has much to do with a budgeted insurance payment that was not made. Mr. Cooper will check on the timing of that insurance renewal. Ms. Esserman moved to approve the report, Ms. Waugh seconded, and the report was approved.

#### Human Resource

There was no report from this committee.

#### Policy

There was no report from this committee.

#### Old Business

There was a discussion of the library going fine free, with Mr. Cooper presenting some new information about where other libraries stand in the process and how it would affect our budget. After much discussion it was decided to table this discussion until the full board is present to vote on the matter.

#### New Business

Ms. Waugh moved to approve Resolution #01-2020. Mr. Hauke seconded, and the resolution was passed.

#### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

The next meeting of the Library's Board of Trustees will be held on Wednesday, March 18 at 7 p.m.