

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
THE FOUNTAINDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
WILL AND DUPAGE COUNTIES, ILLINOIS
HELD JANUARY 19, 2023
BOLINGBROOK, ILLINOIS

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Fountaindale Public Library District, Will and DuPage Counties, Illinois was held in the Margaret J. "Peggy" Danhof Board Room, 300 West Briarcliff Road, Bolingbrook, Illinois on Thursday, January 19, 2023 at 7 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Vice President Celeste Bermejo.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called by recorder, Juanita Lennon, and a quorum was established.

PRESENT

Present at roll call were Marcelo Valencia, Kathryn Spindel, Bobby Armstrong, Sarah Siska, Meraj Alam and Celeste Bermejo.

ABSENT

President Robert Kalnicky reported prior to the meeting that he was ill and unable to attend

FOUNTAINDALE STAFF PRESENT

The following staff was present: Paul Mills, Juanita Lennon and Tasos Priovolos.

Nancy Korczak was present online.

PUBLIC PRESENT

The following public was present: Jennie Mills, Jean Walsh and Sofia Priovolos.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Bermejo asked for a motion to approve the agenda. A motion was made by Spindel, seconded by Valencia.

AYES: Valencia, Spindel, Armstrong, Siska, Alam, Bermejo
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Kalnicky

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING – December 15, 2022

The minutes of the board meeting held December 15, 2022 were presented. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Valencia, seconded by Armstrong. Minutes were approved as read.

AYES: Valencia, Spindel, Armstrong, Siska, Alam, Bermejo
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Kalnicky

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

Vice President Bermejo recognized Tasos Priovolos for his 10 years of service and presented him with an award.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

No comments were made.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Jean Walsh, President of the Friends attended the Board Meeting for Jody Hargett. Walsh reported that the Nook has been very busy. The Friends have been receiving a lot of donations. The Spring Book Sale will be April 14-16.

NEW BUSINESS

Mills reported that this ordinance will abate \$245,350 of the building levy for tax year 2022.

A motion to approve Ordinance 2023-1 – an ordinance abating a portion of the tax heretofore levied for the year 2022 to pay the principal of and interest on \$7,290,000 General Obligation Library Building Bonds, Series 2019, of the Fountaindale Public Library District, Will and DuPage Counties, Illinois was made by Valencia, seconded by Spindel.

AYES: Valencia, Spindel, Armstrong, Siska, Alam, Bermejo

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Kalnicky

Approval to Seek Requests for Proposals for Audit Services

Mills reported that the current auditor had exited the local government audit business for all of his government clients and that the District would need a new auditor.

A motion to approve seeking requests for proposals for audit services was made by Spindel, seconded by Siska.

AYES: Valencia, Spindel, Armstrong, Siska, Alam, Bermejo

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Kalnicky

Approval of Bid from Haggerty Ford for Ford Transit Connect and in Alternative to Approve Emergency Expenditure by the Executive Director for Ford Transit Connect

Mills reported that the bid was published in the paper, the newspaper’s connected online portal, and on our website. 22 Ford dealers were individually contacted. We received 1 bid for the requested Ford Transit Connect. The recommendation is to go with Haggerty Ford’s bid in the amount of \$37,700 as it is the lowest responsible bidder.

Haggerty Ford included a caveat in their bid that the vehicle may be sold to another party prior to the bid acceptance date. If this were to occur, the Board may approve an emergency expenditure by me. This potential situation has been reviewed with our attorney, and the suggested motion language below reflects that option.

A motion to approve the award of a contract from Haggerty Ford to purchase a Ford Transit Connect as the lowest responsible bidder in the amount of \$37,700 and in the alternative to approve an emergency expenditure by the Executive Director for a Ford Transit Connect in the not to exceed amount of \$45,000 was made by Spindel, seconded by Valencia.

AYES: Valencia, Spindel, Armstrong, Siska, Alam, Bermejo

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Kalnicky

Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement Between Fountaindale Public Library District and Will County Regarding Ballot Collection Box Drop-Off Site

Mills reported that this agreement with Will County would provide for the District to host a ballot collection box.

A motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between Fountaindale Public Library District and Will County regarding the Ballot Collection Box drop-off site was made by Armstrong, seconded by Valencia.

AYES: Valencia, Spindel, Armstrong, Siska, Alam, Bermejo
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Kalnicky

Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement between Fountaindale Public Library District and Will County Clerk Regarding Early Voting Location

Mills reported that this agreement with the Will County Clerk would provide for the District to host early voting for the 2023 Consolidated Election.

A motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between Fountaindale Public Library District and the Will County Clerk regarding serving as an early voting location was made by Siska, seconded by Valencia.

AYES: Valencia, Spindel, Armstrong, Siska, Alam, Bermejo
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Kalnicky

Approval of Request to Travel for Trustees to Attend 2023 American Library Association Annual Conference in Chicago, IL – June 22-27, 2023

A motion to approve the request to travel for Trustees to attend the 2023 American Library Association Annual Conference in Chicago, IL from June 22 to 27, 2023 was made by Spindel, seconded by Valencia.

AYES: Valencia, Spindel, Armstrong, Siska, Alam, Bermejo
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Kalnicky

Approval of Request to Travel for Executive Director to Attend 2023 American Library Association Annual Conference in Chicago, IL – June 22-27, 2023

A motion to approve the request to travel for the Executive Director to attend the 2023 American Library Association Annual Conference in Chicago, IL from June 22 to 27, 2023 was made by Valencia, seconded by Spindel.

AYES: Valencia, Spindel, Armstrong, Siska, Alam, Bermejo
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Kalnicky

LIBRARY PROJECTS

Trustee Armstrong provided an update for the Board. The exterior lighting project is nearly complete. There are a few issues with bollards and color temperature that Tria, the architect, and Jasco, the contractor, are working to resolve.

CORRESPONDENCE

Brian Zabel & Associates sent letters to all governmental auditing clients informing them that would no longer be providing services to such clients.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report for was presented by Treasurer Spindel and will be filed for audit.

BILLS FOR APPROVAL

Bills Paid Report – January, 2023

Bills paid for the month of January in the amount of \$68,258.99 was presented for approval. Motion to approve was made by Spindel, seconded by Armstrong.

AYES: Valencia, Spindel, Armstrong, Siska, Alam, Bermejo
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Kalnicky

Bills Payable Report – January, 2023

Bills payable for the month of January in the amount of 3,173,001.89 was presented for approval. Motion to approve was made by Spindel, seconded by Siska.

AYES: Valencia, Spindel, Armstrong, Siska, Alam, Bermejo
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Kalnicky

DIRECTOR'S REPORT – December, 2022

Executive Director Mills noted that the next Staff In-Service would be on Friday, February 24. The library will be closed. Mills asked for two Trustees to volunteer for Trustee Meet & Greet.

Mills will be out of the office January 26-31 at the American Library Association (ALA) LibLearnX Conference representing Illinois during ALA Council.

Mills reported that two-factor authentication for email would be coming soon and provided devices for each trustee.

Ron Oestreich, Bolingbrook Park District Executive Director, will be retiring from his position. His retirement party will be on Friday, February 3 at Ashbury's.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS

Building – None.

Finance – None.

Strategic Plan – Next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 25.

Internal Board Operations – None.

AGENDA BUILDING FOR THE NEXT MEETING

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Bolingbrook Lions Club will be hosting its annual Spaghetti Dinner on Friday, February 10 at the Levy Center.

The Lions are also hosting a St. Patrick's Day Dance on Saturday, March 11.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Valencia, seconded by Alam, to enter Executive Session at 7:37 p.m. for 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (21) “Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under this Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06.”

AYES: Valencia, Spindel, Armstrong, Siska, Alam, Bermejo
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Kalnicky

A motion was made by Valencia, seconded by Spindel, to return to Open Session at 7:43 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

APPROVAL OF REPORT ON REVIEW OF CLOSED MEETING MINUTES

Bermejo reported that the consensus was to keep all closed meeting minutes closed.

A motion to approve the Review of Closed Meeting Minutes Report was made by Valencia, seconded by Spindel.

AYES: Valencia, Spindel, Armstrong, Siska, Alam, Bermejo
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Kalnicky

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m. was made by Siska, seconded by Valencia.

AYES: Valencia, Spindel, Armstrong, Siska, Alam, Bermejo
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Kalnicky

/s/ Marcelo Valencia
Secretary, Board of Library Trustees
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/s/ Celeste M. Bermejo
Vice President, Board of Library Trustees
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/s/ Robert A. Kalnicky
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