

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
THE FOUNTAINDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
WILL AND DUPAGE COUNTIES, ILLINOIS
HELD JULY 21, 2022
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, July 21, 2022 at 7 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by President Robert Kalnicky.

ROLL CALL

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

PRESENT

Present at roll call were Celeste Bermejo, Kathryn Spindel, Bobby Armstrong, Sarah Siska and Robert Kalnicky.

ABSENT

Trustee Marcelo Valencia was ill and unable to attend the meeting.

Trustee Ruth Newell was not present. Trustee Newell submitted her resignation prior to the July Board Meeting.

FOUNTAINDALE STAFF PRESENT

The following staff was present: Paul Mills, Juanita Lennon, Marta Makowski, Melisa Martinez and Joyce Arellano.

Nancy Korczak was present online.

PUBLIC PRESENT

The following public was present: Jody Hargett, Jennie Mills, Amanda Standerfer and Simon Makowski.

AGENDA APPROVAL

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

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

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING – July 21, 2022

The minutes of the board meeting held June 16, 2022 were presented. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Bermejo, seconded by Spindel. Minutes were approved as read.

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

EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION

President Kalnicky recognized Marta Makowski for her five years of service and presented her with a certificate.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

No comments were made.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Jody Hargett from the Friends shared that this past Sunday the Book Cellar did well in sales bringing in \$92.50. The Nook also continues to do well. The Friends are receiving many donations. Hargett commented that some Goodwill stores are no longer taking books so perhaps the Friends are receiving those donations.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Strategic Plan

Amanda Standerfer from FastForward Libraries presented the 2022 Strategic Plan. Trustee Bermejo, Strategic Plan Liaison commented that Standerfer was excellent to work with on the plan.

A motion to approve the 2022 Strategic Plan was made by Siska, seconded by Armstrong.

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

Approval of Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance – Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023

A motion to approve the tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance – Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023 was made by Spindel, seconded by Siska.

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

Approval of Notice of Public Hearing for Budget and Appropriation Ordinance – September 15, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

A motion to approve the Notice of Public Hearing for the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 – June 30, 2023 on September 15, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. was made by Bermejo, seconded by Armstrong.

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

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

Mills reported that the Will County Clerk’s Office has asked Fountaindale to continue to be a site location for a ballot collection box where voters can safely place their completed ballots.

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

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

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

The Will County Clerk’s Office has requested that the library continue to serve as an early voting site.

A motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between Fountaindale Public Library District and Will County regarding serving as an early voting location for the November 2022 Primary Election was made by Siska, seconded by Armstrong.

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

Acceptance of Resignation of Trustee Ruth Newell

Trustee Newell has moved out of the Fountaindale Public Library District and has tendered her resignation.

A motion to accept the resignation of Trustee Ruth Newell was made by Armstrong, seconded by Bermejo.

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

Approval of Declaration of Vacancy for the Office of Trustee and Plan to Fill Vacancy

With the resignation of Trustee Newell, a vacancy on the Board of Trustees has opened. New Illinois legislation requires library district boards to fill the vacancy within 90 days of said vacancy being declared.

Kalnicky proposed that the open position be advertised and that the Board have a special meeting to interview applicants on August 11, 2022. The selected applicant would be appointed on August 18, 2022 at the regularly scheduled board meeting.

A motion to approve the declaration of vacancy for the Office of Trustee and plan to fill the vacancy was made by Bermejo, seconded by Spindel.

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

Approval of the Scheduling of a Special Board Meeting to Interview Applicants for the Open Trustee Position

A motion to approve the scheduling of a Special Board Meeting to interview applicants for the open Trustee position on Thursday, August 11, 2022 at 6 p.m. was made by Spindel, seconded by Bermejo.

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

Approval of Library Closing for Pathways Parade on Sunday, September 11, 2022

A motion to approve closing the library for the Pathways Parade on Sunday, September 11, 2022 was made by Armstrong, seconded by Siska.

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

LIBRARY PROJECTS

The outdoor lighting project has been delayed due to supply issues. It is anticipated that the light poles will be delivered in mid-October.

CORRESPONDENCE

Executive Director Mills received a letter from the Secretary of State's Office. The letter awards the library with Fiscal Year 2022 Per Capita Grant in the amount of \$98,897.28

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report for June, 2022 was presented by Treasurer Spindel and will be filed for audit.

BILLS FOR APPROVAL

Bills Paid Report – July, 2022

Bills paid for the month of July in the amount of \$57,608.70 was presented for approval. Motion to approve was made by Armstrong, seconded by Bermejo.

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

Bills Payable Report – July, 2022

Bills payable for the month of July in the amount of \$1,199,801.60 was presented for approval. Motion to approve was made by Spindel, seconded by Armstrong.

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

DIRECTOR'S REPORT – June, 2022

Mills discussed the ARPA (The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021) funds that Will County is making available. The library is eligible for up to \$120,000. External book lockers are being investigated along with other options. Grant applications due on Friday, August 12.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS

Building – None.

Finance – None.

Strategic Plan – None. The new Strategic Plan was approved earlier this evening.

Internal Board Operations – None.

AGENDA BUILDING FOR THE NEXT MEETING

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trustee Spindel will not be marching at the Pathways Parade with the library. Spindel will instead be marching with the Bolingbrook Lions Club.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Spindel, seconded by Armstrong, to enter Executive Session at 7:39 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: Bermejo, Spindel, Armstrong, Siska, Kalnicky
NAYES: None
ABSENT: Valencia

A motion was made by Spindel, seconded by Siska, to return to Open Session at 7:45 p.m.

OPEN SESSION

APPROVAL OF REPORT ON REVIEW OF CLOSED MEETING MINUTES

President Kalnicky 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 Siska, seconded by Bermejo.

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

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m. was made by Siska, seconded by Armstrong.

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

/s/ Marcelo Valencia
Secretary, Board of Library Trustees
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/s/ Robert A. Kalnicky
President, Board of Library Trustees
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