

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
THE FOUNTAINDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
WILL AND DUPAGE COUNTIES, ILLINOIS
HELD MARCH 20, 2025
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, March 20, 2025 at 7 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

The roll was called by recorder, Jennifer Mills, and a quorum was established.

PRESENT

Present at roll call were Bobby Armstrong, Kathryn Spindel, Sarah Siska, Meraj Alam, Jim Daunis Jr. and Celeste Bermejo.

ABSENT

Trustee Marcelo Valencia

Trustee Valencia entered at 7:05 p.m.

FOUNTAINDALE STAFF PRESENT

The following staff was present: Paul Mills.

Nancy Korczak was present online.

PUBLIC PRESENT

The following public was present: Jody Hargett.

AGENDA APPROVAL

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

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Valencia

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING – February 20, 2025

The minutes of the board meeting held February 20, 2025 were presented. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Daunis, seconded by Spindel. Minutes were approved as read.

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Valencia

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Jody Hargett discussed the upcoming Book Sale, which will be the first weekend in April. Hargett noted that donations are up, which is typical before a Book Sale.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Resolution 2025-2: Resolution Approving of The Promenade Tax Appeal Settlement Agreement

Mills reported Tressler LLP, the library's attorney, has worked out an agreement with Promenade's attorney to remove their 2023 and 2024 tax year claims that disputed the assessed valuation of their property. The agreement also stipulates an assessed valuation for their property that is close to the value the DuPage Township Assessor determined and significantly more than what the Promenade's attorney had proposed. The stipulated assessed valuation will be utilized for the 2025 and 2026 tax years.

A motion to approve Resolution 2025-2: Resolution Approving of The Promenade Tax Appeal Settlement Agreement was made by Spindel, seconded by Armstrong.

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: Valencia

Approval of Appointment of 2025 Secretary Audit Liaisons

Mills reported that each year, the Board needs to approve appointments to be Secretary Audit Liaisons. This certification is a requirement of the Illinois Public Library Annual Report (IPLAR).

The review must be completed by August 1, 2025.

A motion to approve the appointment of Trustee Daunis Jr. and President Bermejo as the 2025 Secretary Audit Liaisons was made by Spindel, seconded by Siska.

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

LIBRARY PROJECTS

Mills discussed the pre-bid meetings for the monument sign in which five companies attended and the parking lot project in which four companies.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report for February 2025 was presented by Treasurer Spindel and will be filed for audit.

BILLS FOR APPROVAL

Bills Paid Report – March 2025

Bills paid for the month of March in the amount of \$67,585.76 was presented for approval. Motion to approve was made by Daunis, seconded by Armstrong.

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

Bills Payable Report – March, 2025

Bills payable for the month of March in the amount of \$258,760.80 was presented for approval. Motion to approve was made by Valencia, seconded by Alam.

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

DIRECTOR'S REPORT – February, 2025

Mills discussed the group led by Mike Selep, Executive Director of the Bolingbrook Park District, which is working to coordinate Village-wide events. Mills also discussed an idea to create a unified Village event calendar that he has had conversations with the Village of Bolingbrook IT Commission about.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS

Building

None.

Finance

None.

Strategic Plan

None.

Internal Board Operations

None.

Executive Director Evaluation

Trustee Siska discussed that the Google Form has been prepared for the evaluation. The deadline to complete the evaluation will be Wednesday, April 2, and the results will be shared by Friday, April 4.

AGENDA BUILDING FOR THE NEXT MEETING

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trustee Armstrong reported that the Village-wide cleanup event is next week.

Trustee Valencia reported that this Saturday at the Cicero Stadium is the Golden Gloves Tournament. Several Bolingbrook residents will be participating.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 p.m. was made by Alam, seconded by Daunis.

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

NAYES: None

ABSENT: None

/s/ Robert Armstrong
Secretary, Board of Library Trustees
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/s/ Celeste M. Bermejo
President, Board of Library Trustees
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