

GENESEE DISTRICT LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

At

Genesee District Library Headquarters

5:30 p.m.

4195 West Pasadena Avenue

Flint, MI 48504

November 20, 2017

Minutes

- Call to Order: 5:31 p.m.
- Present: Armstrong, Bennett, Conerly-Moon, Crites, Jones, Ryals-Massey and Towarnicky.
- Also Present: P. Parker (Corporation Counsel) and A. Goldyn.
- Absent: W. Delaney.
- Public Comments: None.
- Approval of
Consent Agenda: V. Conerly-Moon moved to approve the agenda. Motion supported by S. Bennett. Motion carried unanimously.
- Board Development: Nothing to report.
- MMLC: R. Crites reported that a budget amendment was made and he signed checks.
- Corporation Counsel: P. Parker provided an update regarding the lease negotiations for the Genesee Valley Center Demonstration Location. Further discussion centered on the terms and direction was given to Corporation Counsel on how to proceed.
- GDL Foundation: M. Armstrong stated she has not attended a meeting yet.
- Written Reports: M. Armstrong stated she was impressed by the number of staff members that were able to attend the Michigan Library Association conference in October.
- L. Ryals-Massey stated she is happy about the new diversity committee that has been formed.
- L. Ryals-Massey stated that the Personnel Committee will meet to further discuss the addition of a Digital Librarian position mentioned in D. Conklin's report.
- L. Ryals-Massey commented on the annual in-service day that staff attended in October. She encouraged other board members attend.
- S. Jones inquired about the elderly woman that fell at the Genesee Valley location. A. Goldyn replied that we have not heard anything further from the patron; however, the insurance company has been notified of the incident.
- L. Ryals-Massey expressed her concern about the 4k movies and trying to keep up with the ever changing technology. A. Goldyn replied that 4k is growing in popularity and we are simply trying to keep up with demand.
- Monthly Statistics: A. Goldyn stated that the statistics were not available and would be distributed at a later date.

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- Finance Committee: R. Crites stated a meeting was held earlier today to review the proposed 2018 revenue and expenditure budget. He stated that the committee recommends approving the budget as presented.
- Marketing Committee: Nothing to report.
- Personnel Committee: L. Ryals-Massey stated that the Director's annual evaluation forms will be emailed to everyone soon. She stated that the board may want to consider having a Meyers-Briggs assessment done in order to get a better understanding of the dynamics.
- Policy Committee: Nothing to report.
- Committee Appointments: L. Ryals-Massey stated that the committee appointments were included in the packet.
- Closed Session: J. Towarnicky moved to enter into closed session at 6:28 pm to receive an update from Corporation Counsel on the pending litigation. Motion supported by R. Crites. Roll call: ayes – Armstrong, Bennett, Conerly-Moon, Crites, Jones, Ryals-Massey, and Towarnicky; nays – none.
- Open Session: S. Bennett moved to return to open session at 6:33 pm. Motion supported by J. Towarnicky. Roll call: ayes – Armstrong, Bennett, Conerly-Moon, Crites, Jones, Ryals-Massey, and Towarnicky; nays – none.
- Proposed Scheduled Closings for 2018: R. Crites moved to accept the proposed scheduled closing dates for 2018. Motion supported by M. Armstrong. Roll call: ayes – Armstrong, Bennett, Conerly-Moon, Crites, Jones, Ryals-Massey, and Towarnicky; nays – none.
- Proposed Board Meeting Dates for 2018: S. Jones moved to approve the proposed 2018 board meeting dates. Motion supported by S. Bennett. Roll call: ayes – Armstrong, Bennett, Conerly-Moon, Crites, Jones, Ryals-Massey, and Towarnicky; nays – none.
- Proposed 2018 Budget: R. Crites moved to approve the 2018 revenue and expenditure budgets as presented. Motion carried by V. Conerly-Moon. Roll call: ayes – Armstrong, Bennett, Conerly-Moon, Crites, Jones, Ryals-Massey, and Towarnicky; nays – none.
- Board Comments: S. Bennett stated she believes it would be fun to have a Meyers-Briggs assessment done. J. Towarnicky inquired how long it would take and the cost involved. L. Ryals-Massey stated that it shouldn't take more than half an hour and the cost is about \$20 per person. V. Conerly-Moon inquired about the purpose of the assessment. L. Ryals-Massey stated it helps understand the dynamics of each board member's personality type. L. Ryals-Massey stated she will get the J. Klich to schedule a date to administer it.
- L. Ryals-Massey stated that M. Armstrong will provide the welcome speech at the Black History Month Brunch. She stated that the entertainment, Linkin' Bridge, was recently on the Jimmy Kimmel show.
- Adjournment: S. Jones moved to adjourn at 6:42 p.m. Motion supported by J. Towarnicky.