Mission Statement
To be a community destination for traditional and online resources which empower and enrich the individual.

GENESEE DISTRICT LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
At
Genesee District Library Headquarters
5:30 p.m.
4195 West Pasadena Avenue
Flint, MI 48504
February 16, 2015
Minutes

Call to Order: 5:30 p.m.

Oath of Office: P. Parker administered the oath of office to M. Armstrong, who replaced L. Klink as a Genesee County Board of Commissioners appointee.

Present: Armstrong, Bennett, Conerly-Moon, Delaney, Frazier and Lane.

Also Present: P. Parker (Corporation Counsel), A. Goldyn and K. Lindsay (Auditor from Lewis & Knopf). Public: A. Berry.

Absent: Crites and Ryals-Massey.

Public Comments: None.

Approval of Consent Agenda: C. Lane moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion supported by W. Frazier. Roll call: ayes – Armstrong, Bennett, Delaney, Frazier, Conerly-Moon and Lane; nays – none.

Board Development: Nothing to report.

MMLC: Nothing to report.

Corporation Counsel: P. Parker stated due to the language in the original and subsequent lease renewals, we have no legal recourse regarding damages for the flooding. However, he stated that we received an estoppel notice and the new managing company of the Genesee Valley Center has been put on notice about the possibility of liability for the flood in January. V. Conerly-Moon suggested looking at alternative locations in the surrounding area for the future.

GDL Foundation: Nothing to report.

Written Reports: C. Lane questioned the correct date of the Flint Township furnace issue. A. Goldyn replied she would check into it and have D. Conklin notify the board of the correct date.

C. Lane inquired about the Beecher location. A. Goldyn stated the Beecher School District owns and maintains the building. She stated the school district is under an emergency deficit elimination plan and they are trying to identify ways to reduce operating costs. However, nothing has formally been discussed about the possibility of closing the location. W. Delaney stated he attended the meeting along with L. Ryals-Massey and D. Conklin and suggestions were made about partnering with another entity or seeking grants to help with the building maintenance costs.
Written Reports (continued): C. Lane asked A. Goldyn to relay a compliment to the staff for their hard work on making the Black History Month Brunch so successful.

C. Lane requested a reporting of the gift account balances for each branch. A. Goldyn stated she would email it to the Board on Tuesday.

Monthly Statistics: C. Lane stated she notice the monthly statistics were missing from the January packet. A. Goldyn apologized that she did not have the current monthly statistics available for this meeting but she would locate them and email it to the Board tomorrow.

Finance Committee: Nothing to report.

Marketing Committee: Nothing to report.

Personnel Committee: Nothing to report.

Policy Committee: Nothing to report.

Annual Audit: A. Goldyn stated the annual audit has been scheduled for March 11 and 12. She introduced K. Lindsay, an auditor from Lewis & Knopf. She stated he is here to answer and pre-audit questions from the Board. K. Lindsay highlighted areas that they deem as a fraud risk that they analyze. He asked the Board if there were any particular areas the Board would like him to focus on during the audit process. He discussed next year’s reporting changes regarding the defined benefit retirement plans. He stated he expects to see reporting changes to include OPEB amounts on the balance sheets in the coming years. K. Lindsay stated that a fraud questionnaire may be sent to some board members and asked that they be completed and returned promptly.

Board Member Introduction: W. Delaney welcomed and introduced M. Armstrong to the Board. M. Armstrong stated that she served on the Board in the past until she moved and became ineligible.

Committee Assignment: W. Delaney moved to appoint M. Armstrong to the Personnel Committee. Motion supported by C. Lane. Roll call: ayes – Armstrong, Bennett, Conerly-Moon, Delaney, Frazier and Lane; nays – none.

Board Comments: S. Bennett reiterated how nice the Black History Month Brunch turned out. She also inquired if the spoken word artist and painter had ever worked together. A. Goldyn stated that the spoken word artist recorded her presentation and sent it to the painter, who then practiced to perfect the timing of her painting.

C. Lane stated she liked the vendor layout in the lobby area to help ease congestion.

M. Armstrong stated she enjoyed the Black History Month Brunch as well.

C. Lane asked P. Parker if he has looked at the ballot language matter for our next millage and P. Parker replied not yet.

Adjournment: W. Frazier moved to adjourn at 6:18 pm. Motion supported by V. Conerly-Moon.