

Bensenville Community Public Library Board Meeting
Meeting Minutes
August 2020

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Trustees of the Bensenville Community Public Library District held a Regular Meeting on Monday August 24, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by Linda-Weiss, President.

Trustees Present: Linda Weiss, Mandi Zalewski, Kathy Quinn, Tina Lux,
Susan Earley-On Zoom Call

Trustees Absent: Carlos Aviles, Jim Ricker

The Chair verified the existence of a quorum.

Also Present: David Sieffert, Sue Feddersen, Chris Sloan, Tekolya Brown, Sophia
Welsh

HEARING OF DELEGATIONS

There are no delegations to be heard and no inquiries or comments were submitted online prior to the meeting.

Carlos Aviles arrived at 7:35-On Zoom call

Jim Ricker arrived at 7:35 –On Zoom call

ACTION ITEMS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion: Lux moved to approve the minutes of the July 27, 2020 Regular Meeting (as amended).
Seconded by Zalewski.

Roll Call:

Aye: Zalewski, Quinn, Ricker, Aviles, Earley, Lux, Weiss
Nay: None

Motion approved and carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CHECK LISTING:

Motion: Earley moved to approve checks from August 1-31, 2020 for a total amount of \$130,728.87
Seconded by Ricker.

Roll Call:

Aye: Zalewski, Quinn, Earley, Ricker, Aviles, Lux, Weiss
Nay: None

Motion approved and carried unanimously.

The Chair directed the Treasurer's Report for the month of July 2020 be filed for audit.

DISCUSSION

UPDATE REGARDING LIBRARY REOPENING AND MOVING FORWARD:

- Slower paced than usual.
- Patrons respectful of the time limits set by the library.
- Grateful for ease of access and being open.
- Sunday hours to resume on September 13, 2020 from 1-4:30. Staff will be in the building from 12:30- 5:00 and will ensure library is ready to open at 1:00pm. They will clean and disinfect workspaces to prepare library for opening on Monday.

- Digital program guide is available.
- Most live programs are online so patrons are still able to engage with staff.
- New Kids programs and Family programs.
- New Teen subscription program
- Adult crafting program
- Many ways to get patrons engaged. It is working well.

- New book discussion groups.
- Elizabeth Morris will lead a non-fiction book group.
- Preparation for November and December program guide will be starting soon.

- New signup software allows patrons to easily sign-up for programs. Super simple interface. Patrons can go to library's calendar filter programs by age group and reserve a spot.

- On the back end, staff can adjust and filter criteria, that may vary based on program.
- Software is streamlined, shows canceled reservations, easy to make changes.
- A YA novel has been selected for Bensenville Reads.
- The chosen book is *Punching the Air* by Yusef Salaam and Ibi Zoboi.
- The book is based on real life event and was nominated for a National Book Award.
- This will be a virtual event with the Author (s) on November 12, 2020.
- Fenton is also promoting the book.

INFORMATION

LIBRARY STAFF REPORT:

- Blood donation drive event held at the library September 21, 2020 from 12:30 -6pm.
- The library along with Giving DuPage and Heartland Blood Center will bring two donation busses to the library in response to emergency need for blood due to Covid-19

BENSENVILLE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION REPORT:

- Members met, discussed the financial report.
- No fundraising events currently, but are partnering with Subaru's Share the Love campaign.

RAILS/SWAN REPORT:

- Getting libraries up to speed that have been closed.
- Roselle, Warrenville and Glenside are joining, for 100 total libraries.
- Will meet once a month going forward.

STATISTICS REPORT:

- New statistics- video engagement, to show how many minutes people are watching.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES REPORT:

ADULT SERVICES REPORT:

- Up-tick in voter registrations
- Resumed notary services
- Passport services possibly resuming in coming months. There is currently a 14-week backlog at the Department of State.

YOUTH SERVICES REPORT:

- Creating a collection of resources for homeschool teaching.

- Links to free online resources, such as laws and curriculum.
- Kindergarten readiness.
- A specific website is in the works.

- Teen subscription box- Teens will fill out questionnaire and the staff will tailor books based on answers. Each box will also have some goodies.
- Staff will hold virtual book talks.

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

- No new updates.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Zalewski moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:07pm. Seconded by Quinn and carried unanimously.

Roll Call:

Aye: Zalewski, Quinn, Earley, Ricker, Aviles, Lux, Weiss
Nay: None

Motion approved and carried unanimously.

Tina Lux, Secretary