

Bensenville Community Public Library Board Meeting
Regular Meeting Minutes
April 25, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

The Board of Trustees of the Bensenville Community Public Library District held a Regular Meeting on Monday April 25, 2022. President Linda Weiss called the meeting to order at 7:30p.m.

Trustees Present: Linda Weiss, Mandi Zalewski, Tina Lux,
Kathy Quinn, Ciuiinal Lewis

Trustees Absent: Consuelo Cabral-Marquez, Susan Earley

The Chair verified the existence of a quorum.

Also Present: Chris Sloan, Sue Feddersen, Tekolya Brown, Samantha Parkison, Bill Stephens,
Francesca Romito

HEARING OF DELEGATIONS

None

ACTION ITEMS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion: Quinn moved to approve the minutes of the March 28, 2022 Regular Meeting as Seconded by Lewis.

Roll Call:

Aye: Lux, Zalewski, Quinn, Lewis, Weiss

Nay: None

Absent: Cabral-Marquez, Earley

Abstain: None

Motion approved and carried unanimously

APPROVAL OF CHECK LISTING:

Motion: Lux moved to approve checks from April 1-30, 2022 for a total amount of \$157,914.20 Seconded by Quinn.

Roll Call:

Aye: Lux, Zalewski, Quinn, Lewis, Weiss

Nay: None

Absent: Cabral-Marquez, Earley

Abstain: None

Motion approved and carried unanimously.

The Chair directed the Treasurer's Report for the month of March 2022 filed for audit.

APPROVAL OF LIBRARY CLOSURE FOR STAFF DAY AUGUST 26, 2022

Motion: Quinn moved to approve Library closure on August 26, 2022 for Staff Day Seconded by Lewis.

Roll Call:

Aye: Lux, Zalewski, Quinn, Lewis, Weiss

Nay: None

Absent: Cabral-Marquez, Earley

Abstain: None

Motion approved and carried unanimously.

Trustee Earley arrived at 7:33 pm.

DISCUSSION

BUILDING UPDATES WITH JEFF STANEK:

Roofing construction going very well. Director Sloan met with landscapers to go over plans for beautifying the front entrance. Overall the building is in good shape, but we will need to be seriously considered possibility of funds being spent for upkeep of the Korthauer Log Cabin. Staff will try to utilize the cabin more going forward than in recent years. Will also look to obtain some grant funds to assist with the upkeep.

GARDEN BENCHES AND TREE DONATIONS:

The current benches in the garden are older and deteriorating and need to be replaced. In honor of the previous Board President Susan Diamond and her husband Allan Devitt, her niece has purchased three benches to replace the old ones as well as a Black Hills Spruce tree, which has been planted in the front entrance to the Library.

FRONT LANDSCAPING/ FINISHING THE ENTRYWAY PROJECT:

Our account representative from the Ground Pros. LLC. Landscaping Firm, came for a site visit and discussed ideas regarding finishing the landscaping in the front of the library. There were many good ideas including putting some prairie grass around the building. Director Sloan received a few quotes, in the high, medium and low range.

ROOFING PROJECT UPDATE:

Sloan and Stanek are pleased with the progress, which is about 75% complete. There has been some unexpected damage done to the turf area, Stanek will speak with them about repairing that.

FINAL PORTION OF 2021 PROJECT NEXT GENERATION GRANT:

Of the three sessions proposed, two have been completed. The first session was robotics in which Blackhawk students met at the Library once per week for six weeks. The second session focused on coding and lasted 10 weeks. The third session is not through Center for Gifted (as the first two sessions were) but will instead be with NEDFYS (Northeast DuPage Family and Youth Services). The third session will deal with social and emotional learning. Bensenville School District#2 will identify the kids that will benefit and NEDFYS will come two times per week to help them develop those skills.

CONFIRMING COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING, Thursday May 19, 2022 7:00 PM:

Trustees opted to instead meet Tuesday May 17, 2022 at 7:00pm.

OVERVIEW OF TRUSTEE SEATS UP IN THE APRIL 4TH 2023 CONSOLIDATED GENERAL ELECTION:

The filing deadline is in December 2022. Kathy Quinn's term is up, and the two appointed seats of Ciunial Lewis, and Consuelo Cabral-Marquez.

INFORMATION

LIBRARY STAFF REPORT:

BIG:

Sloan attended his first meeting. School District #2 pondered moving the carnival the fall, but decided instead to postpone it until 2023 to have a full year for planning.

BENSENVILLE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION:

Sold 32 tickets to a Chicago Wolves game and made \$144.00 profit.

RAILS/SWAN:

Enterprise will end on April 26,2022.

RAILS Executive Director Dee Brennan will be retiring this November.

SWAN will hold their expo this August.

The next Fireside Chat is April 26, 2022.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES REPORT:

PLANT/BOOK SALE:

The plant sale will be held on May 14, 2022 from 9-1pm as a sidewalk sale. It will be moved inside if it rains. The Library is partnering with the Garden Club of Bensenville for this event. The annual book sale will also be held that day, with books, DVD's, games and more

SUMMER READING 2022:

This year's theme is "Read Beyond the Beaten Path" (Camp iRead). Reading logs for adults are ready. The kid's component will include activity logs and reading challenges, guess jars, and wildlife art booth. Prizes will include 150 indoor pool passes, and passes to Brookfield Zoo. Adult participants will receive insulated totes. Kick-off event is June 3rd, 2022.

Illinois Library Presents VIRTUAL AUTHOR VISIT WITH JEFF TWEEDY AND NICK OFFERMAN:

Fliers are available in the Library with all the upcoming Illinois Library Presents speakers.

ADULT SERVICES REPORT:

Elizabeth Morris has acclimated well to full-time Adult Services Librarian, and has completed Passport Agent training along with Department Coordinator Bill Stephens. Some upcoming programs include: live music, UFOs, crystals, and a Juneteenth Program.

YOUTH SERVICES REPORT:

Staff has mainly been working on collection development, weeding out old materials, and digitizing forms to be fillable online. Program planning for the summer is moving forward.

COMMUNITY EVENTS:

4th of July parade- Library staff and Trustees planning to participate.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Earley moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 pm. Seconded by Quinn.

Roll Call:

Aye: Lux, Zalewski, Quinn, Lewis, Earley, Weiss

Nay: None

Absent: Cabral-Marquez,

Abstain: None

Motion approved and carried unanimously.

Mandi Zalewski, Secretary