

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES OF THE  
BARRINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Library Trustees was held on March 13, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Barrington Area Library pursuant to notices sent to the Board and the press on March 10, 2017.

Present and acting as trustees were:

Carolyn Clifford, Vice President  
Carrie F. Carr, Treasurer  
Barbara Pintozzi, Secretary  
Denise Tenyer

Absent were:

Donald F. Minner, President  
Denise Devereux-Peters  
William J. Pizzi

Also in attendance were:

Detlev Pansch, Executive Director  
Aly Prchal, Head of Youth Services  
Melinda Lomas, Village Resident  
Nancy Lashbrook, Village Resident  
Gerry Wondrasek, Village Resident  
Jennifer Wondrasek, Village Resident  
Lisa Stordahl, Staff

Vice President Clifford called the meeting to order, welcomed the guests, and invited them to address the Board. Ms. Lashbrook introduced herself and asked if the Village had recently contacted the library to set up a meeting regarding the Lake Zurich Road Realignment Project. Director Pansch said that he had not been contacted. Melinda Lomas introduced herself and read two letters to the Board, one from herself and the other from Maureen and Scott Forster, which urged the Board to support the Lake Zurich Road Redesign as proposed. Lastly, Gerry and Jennifer Wondrasek introduced themselves and stated that they would like to see the Library Board and the Village of Barrington cooperate with each other on the Lake Zurich Road Realignment project. Vice President Clifford thanked everyone for coming and appreciated hearing their thoughts on the subject.

Vice President Clifford asked if there were any questions on the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 13, 2017. There were none. Ms. Pintozzi moved to approve the minutes of the February 13 meeting as presented. Ms. Tenyer seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Motion: CARRIED.

Vice President Clifford asked if there were any questions on the minutes from the December 12, 2016 Committee of the Whole Meeting. There were none. Ms. Carr moved to approve the minutes of the December 12 Committee of the Whole meeting as presented. Ms. Pintozzi seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Motion: CARRIED.

Vice President Clifford welcomed Aly Prchal, Head of Youth Services, and invited her to begin her presentation. Ms. Prchal stated that the US Bureau of Labor Statistics has reported that STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math) occupations are growing at a higher rate than others. With this in mind, the Youth Services department has been meeting the demand for STEM learning opportunities through programming and collection resources. Ms. Prchal also introduced the term STEAM, which is the idea of connecting STEM with arts practices and design principles, further encouraging creativity and innovation.

Ms. Prchal stated that the library is the perfect setting to offer STEM/STEAM learning opportunities. The goals of the Youth Services staff with STEM/STEAM activities are to spark curiosity in the fields of science and technology; help kids develop critical thinking skills; and encourage kids to be creative problem solvers. In addition, children are allowed to explore their interests in a low-risk, low-stakes way. At the library, success is in the process, not the product.

In conclusion, STEM education is on the minds of parents and educators in our community and the Youth Services staff is supporting this learning through programming, collections, databases, and STEM kits, which are circulating at a 96% turnover rate. The library Maker Lab and Studios also provide spaces and opportunities for children and their caregivers to engage in STEM/STEAM activities.

Additionally, Ms. Prchal announced that the library is being awarded with a Community Engagement Award from the Girl Scouts of Northern Illinois. The Board thanked Ms. Prchal for her presentation and for the outstanding work being done by the Youth Services staff.

Vice President Clifford asked if there was any discussion on the approval of the intergovernmental agreement with Hoffman Estates Park District for locker service at the Willow Recreation Center. Director Pansch reminded the Board that this would be to install new lockers inside the building, and remove the older lockers which are in bad shape and are currently located outside the recreation center. Ms. Carr moved to approve the intergovernmental agreement with Hoffman Estates Park District for locker service at the Willow Recreation Center. Ms. Pintozzi seconded the motion.

Ayes: Clifford, Carr, Pintozzi, Tenyer

Nays: 0

Absent: Minner, Peters, Pizzi

Motion: CARRIED.

Ms. Carr presented the Treasurer's report. The beginning balance was \$5,783,311.61 with receipts of \$428,992.96 and expenditures of \$442,108.39; leaving an ending balance of \$5,770,196.18. Eight months into our fiscal year, revenues are 57.70% of anticipated, and year-to-date expenditures are 52.72% of budget. Ms. Carr moved to approve the Treasurer's report and bills for payment as presented. Ms. Pintozzi seconded the motion.

Ayes: Clifford, Carr, Pintozzi, Tenyer

Nays: 0

Absent: Minner, Peters, Pizzi

Motion: CARRIED.

Director Pansch informed the Board about the meeting he attended regarding the Hoffman Estates TIF proposal that has a large residential portion. The Hoffman Estates Trustees are considering a 184-acre residential and retail development at the northwest corner of routes 59 and 72. The area (Plum Farms) is currently zoned as farmland. The Joint Review Board, of which Director Pansch is a member, will meet again on March 21, 2017 for further discussion and to determine if the property should qualify as a TIF. Director Pansch noted that the area in discussion falls completely within our library district, but that students who would live in the area would be split between school districts 220 and 300.

Director Pansch notified the Board that the library will be receiving a payout from the Trust of Ms. Diane Hlavacek-Hunter, who had donated 14.28% of her estate to the library. The Board was very thankful for her donation.

There being no further business, Ms. Tenyer moved and Ms. Pintozzi seconded the motion to adjourn. All voted aye.

Motion: CARRIED.

Adjournment was at 7:47 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Barbara Pintozzi", written over a horizontal line.

Secretary