

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 December 14, 2015, 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 December 11, 2015.

Present and acting as trustees were:

Donald F. Minner, President
Carrie F. Carr, Treasurer
Barbara Pintozzi, Secretary
Denise Tenyer
William J. Pizzi

Absent were:

Carolyn Welch Clifford, Vice President
Denise Peters

Also in attendance were:

Detlev Pansch, Executive Director
Tabatha Anderson, Staff
Donna Searle, Staff

President Minner called the meeting to order and asked if there were questions on the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 9, 2015. There were none. Mr. Minner moved to approve the minutes of the November 9 meeting as presented. Ms. Pintozzi seconded the motion.

Ayes: Minner, Carr, Pintozzi, Tenyer, Pizzi
Nays: 0
Absent: Clifford, Peters
Motion: CARRIED.

Tabatha Anderson, Youth Services Librarian, presented information on the growth and impact of Baby and Toddler Story Time at the library. Between 2011 and 2015, there has been a steady increase in attendance in both Baby and Toddler Story Time. She reported that, for young children, play is learning. The goals of the program are early literacy, learning through play and hands-on activity, caregiver engagement, and connection and socialization. The five practices of early literacy are talking, singing, reading, writing and playing. Play-Doh and hand activities are used to build up finger dexterity. President Minner asked if there were plans for programs for those with special needs. Ms. Anderson reported that the library had held a sensory movie night, and they were determining if there would be an audience for a sensory story time. Ms. Anderson left the meeting.

Ms. Carr presented the Treasurer's report. Beginning balance was \$6,466,269.75 with receipts of \$57,316.61 and expenditures of \$1,042,453.42; leaving an ending balance of \$5,481,132.94. This ending balance is \$732,522.09 more than that of one year ago. President Minner remarked on the high balance. Director Pansch responded the balance reflects a \$500,000 loan to be repaid and a \$15,000 reimbursement from Nationwide which the audit found the library to be overpaying. Director Pansch stated that part of the roofing

project is still to be paid. Mr. Pizzi moved to approve the Treasurer's Report and bills for payment as presented. Ms. Tenyer seconded the motion.

Ayes: Minner, Carr, Pintozzi, Tenyer, Pizzi
Nays: 0
Absent: Clifford, Peters
Motion: CARRIED.

Director Pansch reported on an exciting opportunity the library has for the display of an art project in the library. Artist Eric Rieger would display a yarn art project in the library atrium for a period of six months to a year. This would be a draw for art in the Barrington community, and it would tie into summer reading. The cost would be \$10,000 which would be funded through the Sheel Fund for cultural programming and monetary gifts accumulated over time from the Art Institute of Chicago. No taxpayer monies would be used for the project. Ms. Pintozzi asked if the library would look into the artist providing some information regarding his artwork. Mr. Pizzi asked if the artist or the library controls the length of time for the display. Both will be looked into within the contract. President Minner moved to move forward with artwork installation not to exceed \$10,000 with costs to come from donation budgets. Ms. Carr seconded the motion.

Ayes: Minner, Carr, Pintozzi, Tenyer, Pizzi
Nays: 0
Absent: Clifford, Peters
Motion: CARRIED.

Director Pansch reported the library van was involved in an accident, with no fault to the library. The van was a total loss. A settlement check has been received. President Minner moved for approval to replace the library van, not to exceed \$50,000. Mr. Pizzi seconded the motion.

Ayes: Minner, Carr, Pintozzi, Tenyer, Pizzi
Nays: 0
Absent: Clifford, Peters
Motion: CARRIED.

In new business, Ms. Pintozzi reported her great satisfaction with Mike Campagna, the library's Digital Services Manager, who went above and beyond to assist her with an e-book issue. He was not aware he was assisting a Board member, and Ms. Pintozzi said Mr. Campagna assisted her with her personal electronic device even though the problem was an Adobe problem.

Ms. Tenyer moved to adjourn, and Ms. Pintozzi seconded the motion.

Ayes: Minner, Carr, Pintozzi, Tenyer, Pizzi
Nays: 0
Absent: Clifford, Peters
Motion: CARRIED.

Adjournment was at 7:50 p.m.



Secretary