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Library Board Meeting and Public Budget Hearing

Approved Minutes

May 19, 2022 - 6:30 PM

Budget Hearing

1. Call to order: Meeting called to order by Judeen Bartos at 6:30 pm.
2. Roll Call: Judeen Bartos, Meghan Evoy, Kelly Farrah, Adrienne Fazzolara, Daniel Hooper, Kevin Yezbick. Director Jenny Marr and Recording Secretary Kerrie Patterson also present. Amanda Hanlin not present for budget hearing.
3. Open public hearing: Erin Hooper attended as public.
4. Discuss Library Budget: (See att.) No public discussion.
5. Call for public comment: No public comment.
6. Close public hearing:

Motion: Close the meeting at 6:33 pm. (Evoy/second Farrah); passed unanimously.

Board Meeting

1. Call to order: Meeting called to order by Judeen Bartos at 6:33 pm.
2. Roll call: Kevin Yezbick, Daniel Hooper, Adrienne Fazzolara, Kelly Farrah, Meghan Evoy, Judeen Bartos. Director Jenny Marr and Recording Secretary Kerrie Patterson also present. Amanda Hanlin late with notice (arrived 6:37 pm).
3. Approval of agenda:
Motion: Approve the agenda. (Hooper/second Yezbick); passed unanimously.
4. Public comment: Erin Hooper offered comments.
5. Minutes: Approve April 21, 2022 regular meeting proposed minutes:
Motion: Approve April 21, 2022 regular meeting proposed minutes. (Farrah/second Evoy); passed unanimously.
6. Director's report: (See att.) In-person storytimes beginning in June, with registration being week by week. Summer Reading kick-off is on June 18. Circulation statistics are at or above pre-pandemic levels. About 110 people came for Ed Burns' retirement party.
7. Youth Services office furniture: (See att.) Doesn't involve construction; just changes the Storyhour Room space into traditional cubicles, since it will no longer be used for programming.

Two new full-time youth services librarians will be starting May 31. Funding also included to explore washing machine/dryer options in the space.

Motion: Approve an amount not to exceed \$16,000 for the Youth Services office project, under the supervision of the finance committee. (Yezbick/second Hanlin); passed unanimously.

8. Workgroup proposal – policy review: (See att.) The workgroup will review new and existing policies and work with Marr to bring them to the full Board for review and approval. Bartos, Yezbick, and Farrah will form the committee.

9. Acceptance of expenditures and finance reports for the month of April: (See att.) Oakland County will make a final tax distribution settlement for 2022 taxes in June. Final budget amendments will be in June.

Motion: Accept the expenditures and finance reports for the month of April. (Hanlin/second Yezbick); passed unanimously.

10. FY 2023 Budget Approval: (See att.) Updates to Uniform Chart of Accounts are in place. Marr discussed line item adjustments from current budget.

Motion: Approve the FY 2023 proposed budget as presented with 2.9 mills as the tax rate. (Yezbick/second Farrah); passed unanimously.

11. Board Calendar of Events: (See att.) Board and Marr discussed upcoming events and expected completion timelines.

12. Committee reports:

A. Art & Exhibitions: No changes since last month. Mike Ross' painting has been purchased but it's not on display yet. Steff Samuels will be showing work in September. Lorelee Grace's art will be installed in June, and will have an in-person reception on June 30, from 6-8 pm.

B. Friends of the FPL: The June 13 meeting is also the annual membership meeting. Still virtual.

C. Equity, Diversity and Inclusion: Hanlin will reach out for summer dates for a workshop and will send the Board a list of possible dates/times. She is actively recruiting new committee members and working with Marr on potential ideas for the committee.

D. Finance: (See att.) Discussion of DTE billing error, that has been resolved.

E. Personnel: Marr's self-evaluation will be received on Sunday. Fazzolara will have a Google form ready next week for the board.

F. Schools: No report.

13. Committee membership appointments as needed: Not needed.

14. Review action items:

A. Marr will investigate washer/dryer potential for the youth area.

B. Bartos, Yezbick, and Farrah will form the policy workgroup, and set up a virtual meeting.

C. Marr will have Farrah and Bartos sign the L-4029 form with the approved budget.

D. Marr will meet with Hanlin regarding what she learned at the MLA ThinkSpace.

15. Announcements/comments from board members:

A. Yezbick was at Western Market last week and ran into people he knew. He told them about the courtyard plans, lockers, etc. They were happy about the most recent improvements to the library.

B. Bartos mentioned Mary Ann Neal who passed away on April 8. She was one of the original library board members and was instrumental in bringing the renovation to fruition.

16. Adjourn:

Motion: Adjourn the meeting at 7:27 pm. (Hanlin/second Evoy); passed unanimously.

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