

The Board of Library Trustees, Lakewood, Ohio Thursday, March 10, 2022

The Board of Library Trustees of the Lakewood Public Library, City of Lakewood, County of Cuyahoga, State of Ohio, met in regular session in the Auditorium of the Main Library, 15425 Detroit Avenue, Lakewood, OH on Thursday, March 10, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.

Members present: Mrs. Tiffany Graham Charkosky, Mrs. Nancy Seibert, Mrs. Persis Sosiak, Mr. Gregory Gipson, Mr. Jeffrey Endress, Mr. Scott Kermode, and Mr. Michael Artbauer.

Members excused: None.

Also present: Julie Strunk, Manager of Children's and Youth Services, Andrea Fisher, Manager of the Madison Branch, Mr. James Crawford, Mr. William Costello, Jr., CPA.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Mrs. Seibert, seconded by Mr. Endress, approval of the Regular Agenda for March 10, 2022.

Yeas: Mrs. Graham Charkosky, Mrs. Seibert, Mrs. Sosiak, Mr. Gipson, Mr. Artbauer, Mr. Kermode, and Mr. Endress.

Abstained: None.

Nays: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Julie Strunk, Manager of Children's and Youth Services, presented to the Board programming that is currently being presented for children and youth. Mrs. Strunk detailed that all-inclusive programming has always taken place at the Library. There was a discussion of multi-lingual story times.

Andrea Fisher, Manager of the Madison Branch, presented what is transpiring at the Branch in preparation for the re-opening on Sunday, March 27, 2022.

Mr. Crawford presented correspondence from Mark Bernstein from Robert AM Stern Architects, and from Captain Stone from the Lakewood Police Department.

Mrs. Seibert asked for the open rates of email blasts through Constant Contact.

DISPOSITION OF MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Endress, seconded by Mrs. Sosiak, approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of January 20, 2022.

Yeas: Mrs. Graham Charkosky, Mrs. Seibert, Mrs. Sosiak, Mr. Gipson, Mr. Artbauer, Mr. Kermode, and Mr. Endress.

Abstained: None.

Nays: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Gipson, seconded by Mr. Kermode, approval of the amended minutes of the special meeting of February 24, 2022.

Yeas: Mrs. Graham Charkosky, Mrs. Seibert, Mrs. Sosiak, Mr. Gipson, Mr. Kermode, and Mr. Endress.

Abstained: Mr. Artbauer.

Nays: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Business Management and Finance

No report.

Building and Supplies

The Board held a discussion on the elevator issues at the Madison Branch. Mr. Crawford added that the cost to update the elevator is estimated at \$90,000.

The Board discussed a patron request for a park bench. The Board decided to continue the conversation within Committees at a later date.

Collections and Gifts

Motion by Mrs. Graham Charkosky, seconded by Mr. Endress, that the following gifts be accepted and gratefully acknowledged:

Lakewood Public Library Gifts Received:

02/28/22 - \$100,000.00 Lakewood Public Library Foundation
02/28/22 - \$ 40,000.00 Friends of the Lakewood Public Library

Lakewood Public Library Foundation (Madison Branch Library Project):

01/03/22 - \$ 50.00 James and Christine Dolce
01/03/22 - \$ 25.00 Janet Gee
01/03/22 - \$100.00 Carl and Marilyn Culley
01/03/22 - \$ 75.00 Mary Osburn
01/03/22 - \$ 25.00 Patrick and Sharon Perotti
01/03/22 - \$300.00 Charles and Marie Grossman
01/03/22 - \$150.00 Walter Senney
01/03/22 - \$180.00 Daniel Gephart Jones
01/03/22 - \$ 20.00 Scott and Shirley Kaib
01/04/22 - \$200.00 Thomas and Jennifer Baker
01/04/22 - \$100.00 Kevin and Melissa Meehan
01/04/22 - \$100.00 Molly Brown
01/07/22 - \$ 50.00 James Crawford, In Memory of James Miley,
Director Emeritus of the Troy-Miami
County Public Library
01/10/22 - \$ 50.00 Nadine Hopwood Feighan
01/10/22 - \$ 50.00 Kimberly Pustulka
02/03/22 - \$1,000.00 Douglas and Karen Melin
02/22/22 - \$250.00 Thomas and Mary Holland

Lakewood Public Library Friends Gifts Received:

None.

Yeas: Mrs. Graham Charkosky, Mrs. Seibert, Mrs. Sosiak, Mr. Gipson, Mr. Artbauer, Mr. Kermodé, and Mr. Endress.

Abstained: None.

Nays: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

Personnel

Motion by Mrs. Seiber, seconded by Mr. Kermode, to acknowledge personnel changes:

Appointments:

01/11/22 - Kissel, Edna, Clerk, Public Services

01/12/22 - Stewart, Nicole, Clerk, Public Services

01/19/22 - Milenski, Fox, Paraprofessional, Children's and Youth Services

Resignations/Retirements/Separations/Terminations:

01/28/22 - Grzybowski, Judy, Manager, Madison Branch Library

Yeas: Mrs. Graham Charkosky, Mrs. Seibert, Mrs. Sosiak, Mr. Gipson, Mr. Artbauer, Mr. Kermode, and Mr. Endress.

Abstained: None.

Nays: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Audit Committee

No report.

Public Comments

No report.

NEW BUSINESS

No report.

OLD BUSINESS

Motion by Mrs. Seibert, seconded by Mr. Endress, to Approve (or Approve as Amended) Committee Chair and Member Appointments:

Committee Appointment

Business Management and Finance Committee

Mr. Gipson, Chair

Mrs. Sosiak, Member

Building and Supplies Committee

Mr. Artbauer, Chair

Mrs. Seibert, Member

Mr. Endress, Member

Collections and Gifts Committee

Mrs. Sosiak, Chair

Mr. Endress, Member

Personnel Committee

Mrs. Seibert, Chair

Mr. Kermode, Member

Mr. Gipson, Member

Audit Committee (Committee of the Whole)

Mr. Kermode, Chair

Mr. Artbauer, Member

Yeas: Mrs. Graham Charkosky, Mrs. Seibert, Mrs. Sosiak, Mr. Gipson, Mr. Artbauer, Mr. Kermode, and Mr. Endress.

Abstained: None.

Nays: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

Mr. Crawford presented to the Board a review of the COVID-19 safety protocols including mask policies.

The Board held a discussion of House Bill 327 (2022) - Divisive Concepts Bill. As of this meeting the Bill is stalled in the House.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

President

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Secretary

Next Scheduled Meeting

Thursday, April 14, 2022

7:00 P.M.

