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 meeting room of the Madison Branch Library, 13229 Madison Avenue, Lakewood, OH on Thursday, June 9, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.

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

Members excused: Mr. Scott Kermode.

Also present: Mr. James Crawford.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Mrs. Sosiak, seconded by Mr. Artbauer, approval of the Agenda as Amended, with Programming and First Amendment added under New Business for June 9, 2022.

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

Abstained: None.

Nays: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Mr. Crawford shared thank you letters from Lakewood Catholic Academy who participated in Camp Read-A-Long, and a notice of bequest to the Library from the Estate of Virginia A. Stocking.

Mr. Crawford explained the Library’s recycling and responsible waste management practices, and identified the businesses and entities involved in these practices.

**DISPOSITION OF MINUTES**

Motion by Mr. Endress, seconded by Mr. Gipson, approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of May 12, 2022.

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

Abstained: None.
Nays: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT AND BILLS

No report.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Business Management and Finance

No report.

Building and Supplies

Mr. Artbauer detailed the punch list of the work that remains to be accomplished at the Madison Branch. Significant progress is being made. The elevator project is expected to begin in late summer. Mrs. Sosiak thanked Mr. Artbauer for the updated sign announcing that the Madison Branch is open.

Collections and Gifts

Motion by Mrs. Sosiak, seconded by Mr. Artbauer, that the following gifts be accepted and gratefully acknowledged:

Lakewood Public Library Gifts Received:

None.

Lakewood Public Library Foundation (Madison Branch Library Project):

None.

Lakewood Public Library Friends Gifts Received:

05/10/22 - $120.00 Madison Branch Journey Home AA
05/19/22 - $57,090.81 Estate of Betty J. Reynolds

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

Abstained: None.
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Nays: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

**Personnel**

Motion by Mrs. Sosiak, seconded by Mr. Artbauer, to acknowledge personnel changes:

**Appointments:**

05/16/2022 - Freed, Kelli, Professional, Children’s and Youth Services

**Resignations/Retirements/Separations/Terminations:**

None.

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

Abstained: None.

Nays: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

**REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

**Audit Committee**

Mr. Crawford explained that Mr. Costello is awaiting notice when the 2020-2021 audit will be scheduled. This audit will be conducted sometime this year.

**Public Comments**

No report.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Motion by Mr. Artbauer, seconded by Mr. Gipson, to Recommend Mr. Endress to the Lakewood City Schools Board of Education for Appointment to the Library Board of Trustees.
Roll Call of Said Motion:

Mr. Artbauer    X Yea ___Nay ___Abstain ___Absent
Mr. Endress          ___Yea ___Nay X Abstain ___Absent
Mr. Gipson    X Yea ___Nay ___Abstain ___Absent
Mr. Kermode   ___Yea ___Nay ___Abstain X Absent
Mrs. Seibert   X Yea ___Nay ___Abstain ___Absent
Mrs. Sosiak    X Yea ___Nay ___Abstain ___Absent
Mrs. Graham Charkosky, X Yea ___Nay ___Abstain ___Absent

The President declared the motion carried.

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Motion by Mrs. Seibert, seconded by Mrs. Sosiak, to Approve the Electronic Signing of All Accounts Payable Checks.

Roll Call of Said Motion:

Mr. Artbauer    X Yea ___Nay ___Abstain ___Absent
Mr. Endress          ___Yea ___Nay ___Abstain ___Absent
Mr. Gipson    X Yea ___Nay ___Abstain ___Absent
Mr. Kermode   ___Yea ___Nay ___Abstain X Absent
Mrs. Seibert   X Yea ___Nay ___Abstain ___Absent
Mrs. Sosiak    X Yea ___Nay ___Abstain ___Absent
Mrs. Graham Charkosky, X Yea ___Nay ___Abstain ___Absent

The President declared the motion carried.

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Programming

There was a general discussion about programming involving food and food preparation. Mrs. Graham Charkosky noted that the content and type of the programs the Library offers is determined by the Library’s leadership and staff, not by the Board.

Mrs. Seibert expressed her appreciation of the Library offering test preparation classes for high school classes, and asked that no student be turned away from any such class. Mr. Crawford agreed.

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First Amendment

There was a general discussion of the increasing challenges in the nation to materials in public library collections, and programs that public libraries offer, and the need for public libraries to resist censorship and maintain balanced collections, especially books that reflect differing opinions, points of view, and values.

OLD BUSINESS

No report.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

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President

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Secretary

Next Scheduled Meeting

Thursday, September 8, 2022

7:00 P.M