

Golden Prairie Public Library District
Board of Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, March 21, 2018
5:00 p.m.

William C. Wetzel Reading Room
Bloomington Public Library
205 E. Olive St., Bloomington, IL 61701

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order
President Peterson called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.
- II. Roll Call
MEMBERS PRESENT: Ary Anderson, Laurie Nippe, Ruth Novosad (arrived at 5:08 p.m.), Stephen Peterson, Patti Salch, Jodi Sherman, Stephanie Walden

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Jeanne Hamilton, Kathy Jeakins, Colleen Shaw, Johanna Sneed
- III. Introductions
There were no introductions.
- IV. Public Comment
There was no public comment.
- V. President's Report
 - A. Approve Appointment of New Board Members to Fill Unexpired Terms
President Peterson asked that a motion be made to appoint Laurie Nippe and Stephanie Walden to the Board, filling two Board vacancies, until the next consolidated election in 2019.
PATTI SALCH MOVED, JODI SHERMAN SECONDED, TO APPOINT LAURIE NIPPE AND STEPHANIE WALDEN TO THE GOLDEN PRAIRIE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES TO FILL UNEXPIRED TERMS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY THROUGH JUNE 30, 2019. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
Jodi Sherman administered the Oath of Office to Laurie Nippe and Stephanie Walden.
- VI. Approval of Minutes
 - A. February 21, 2018
ARY ANDERSON MOVED, STEPHANIE WALDEN SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 21, 2018 MEETING. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.
- VII. Staff Reports

A. Director's Report

Director Hamilton reported that the BPL Board is working on the Director's evaluation. During the last meeting, they discussed the evaluation process. Otherwise, Director Hamilton added, there is no update regarding the Library expansion project.

B. Outreach Report

Colleen Shaw presented the Outreach Report. Colleen stated that during the last meeting, the Board discussed finding ways to promote the Summer Reading Program in Golden Prairie areas. She shared the possibility of having pop-up programs at Bookmobile stops. This has been done in the past and was not well attended. Colleen added that when the library partners with other organizations for events, there is usually a greater turnout.

C. Financial Report

Kathy Jeakins shared that the Per Capita Grant funds were received. Kathy proceeded to entertain questions.

VIII. Unfinished Business

A. Discuss Library Service Gap in Downs, Illinois

Ruth Novosad and Ary Anderson met with Director Hamilton, and they have a plan in place to move forward with contacting residents in Downs. There are thirteen addresses eligible for the first wave of letters being sent out. Additionally, Director Hamilton will be sending letters to any residents of the unserved area that received library cards in error. She added that there would be a three-month grace period for those that currently have a library card before they can no longer use library services.

The Board sought legal counsel and feel comfortable with moving forward with the process.

An inquiry was made about whether the Board will be following up with residents who have not responded to the Board or taken action to move forward with the annexation. Ruth shared that the first wave of letters state that the Board will follow up with anyone who has not responded by June 1.

B. Approve Appointment of Board Officer(s) to Fill the Unexpired Term(s)

President Peterson shared that due to recent Board vacancies, a new Vice President needs to be appointed. Depending on who is appointed, multiple Board Officer vacancies may occur.

RUTH NOVOSAD MOVED, ARY ANDERSON SECONDED, TO APPROVE APPOINTING JODI SHERMAN AS VICE PRESIDENT EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY THROUGH FY19. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ARY ANDERSON MOVED, PATTI SALCH SECONDED, TO APPROVE APPOINTING RUTH NOVOSAD AS SECRETARY/TREASURER EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY THROUGH FY19. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

C. Approve Appointment of FOIA Officer

RUTH NOVOSAD MOVED, JODI SHERMAN SECONDED, TO APPROVE APPOINTING THE DIRECTOR JEANNE HAMILTON AS THE SECOND FOIA OFFICER (STEPHEN PETERSON WILL CONTINUE TO SERVE). THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

IX. New Business

There was no new business.

X. Comments from Board Trustees

Patti Salch shared that she was in Covell, where she shared program information, and distributed program guides and bookmobile schedules.

President Peterson asked the Board if they would like to create a resolution to back-up the BPL Board and City Council to keep the library at its current location. The Board agreed and asked that this be added to next month's meeting agenda.

Laurie Nippe shared interest in learning more about the library and GPPLD. Director Hamilton shared that she will set-up meetings with the new Trustees, and President Peterson suggested that new Trustees attend BPL Board meetings.

XI. Adjournment

PATTI SALCH MOVED, ARY ANDERSON SECONDED, TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

President Peterson adjourned the meeting at 5:44 p.m.