

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES - REGULAR SESSION
TUESDAY, JUNE 18, 2024, 5:30 PM

The Library Board of Trustees convened in regular session at 5:32 PM, June 18, 2024.
President Catrina Parker called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Attendee Name	Title	Status
Alicia Whitworth	Trustee	Present
Dianne Hollister	Secretary	Present
Alicia Henry	Trustee	Present
John Argenziano	Treasurer	Present
Georgene Chissell	Trustee	Present
Shari Zeck	Trustee	Present
Catrina Parker	President	Present
Matthew Watchinski	Vice President	Absent

Staff Present: Jeanne Hamilton, Kathy Jeakins

Welcome to New Board Members

President Parker welcomed Georgene Chissell and Shari Zeck to the Board.

Introduction of Public

There were no members of the public present.

Public Comment

There were no public comments.

Reports

The following item was presented:

Item 6.A. President's Report

President Parker began by assigning committee appointments. The 3Ps Committee (Planning, Policies, and Programming) consists of Chair Matt Watchinski, Dianne Hollister, Alicia Whitworth, and Shari Zeck. John Argenziano will Chair the Budget & Personnel Committee, which will also include Alicia Henry, Georgene Chissell, and the person who will be appointed to the vacant board members seat.

The following item was presented:

Item 6.B. Director's Report

Director Hamilton shared that moving in to the full library was successful. She is proud of the staff for all the hard work it took to get to this point. Staff have received overwhelmingly positive feedback from the community. Director Hamilton reported that according to the door

count, the Library has approximately 100 people entering the building every hour that the Library is open.

The following item was presented:

Item 6.C. Fiscal Report

Kathy Jeakins indicated that the reports are in the packet. She reviewed all the reports, including final reports for FY24.

Consent Agenda

Items listed on the Consent Agenda are approved with one motion; Items pulled from the Consent Agenda for discussion are listed and voted on separately.

Item 7.A. Approve Minutes of 4/16/24: Regular Bloomington Public Library Board meeting

Item 7.B. Bills in the Amount of \$536,311.94 for April 2024.

Item 7.C. Bills in the Amount of \$1,943,431.96 for May 2024.

Trustee Whitworth made a motion, seconded by Trustee Zeck, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Motion carried (viva voce, 7-0).

Approval Items

The following item was presented:

Item 8.A. Approve Non-Resident Card Participation for 7.01.24 - 6.30.25

Trustee Zeck made a motion, seconded by Trustee Chissell, to approve the item as presented.

Motion carried (viva voce, 7-0).

The following item was presented:

Item 8.B. Approve the Annual OCLC Service Renewal

Trustee Zeck made a motion, seconded by Trustee Whitworth, to approve the item as presented.

AYES: Trustee Argenziano; Trustee Chissell; Trustee Henry; Trustee Hollister; Trustee Parker; Trustee Whitworth; Trustee Zeck

Motion carried.

The following item was presented:

Item 8.C. Approve Appointments to the Bloomington Public Library Foundation Board

President Parker nominated herself and Dianne Hollister as Bloomington Public Library Foundation Board members.

Trustee Zeck made a motion, seconded by Trustee Chissell, to approve the item as presented.

Motion carried (viva voce, 7-0).

Discussion Items

The following item was presented:

Item 9.A. Sexual Harassment Training

Director Hamilton led the Board in a training for sexual harassment prevention.

Comments by Trustees

Trustee Hollister remarked how impressed she is with the Library staff and the programs, specifically Bloomington Reads and The Woman Who Would Not Be Silenced programs. Trustee Whitworth commented how fun it is to walk through the new spaces, and her children are also enjoying everything about the expanded Library. Trustee Zeck thanked the members of the Board for all they've done to make the expansion a reality. She also commended the Library staff for their hard work in moving materials and adjusting work flows. Trustee Whitworth added that it is wonderful to see the staff smiling and positive, and it's contagious. She also expressed her enthusiasm for the Summer Reading Program theme and graphics. Trustee Henry stated how remarkable it is that the Library remained open for much of the time during the final move, with minimal upheaval to the public. Trustee Chissell asked if there were plans to hold another adult murder mystery program. She attended one years ago and had so much fun. Trustee Argenziano inquired what types of things the Library was doing to recognize African American Music Month and Pride Month. Director Hamilton responded that she didn't know of anything for the African American Music Month, but the Library has multiple Pride displays and is also hosting Pride in the Park at Miller Park toward the end of the month. She also indicated that there are Juneteenth displays throughout the Library as well as the Juneteenth program happening tomorrow. Trustee Hollister is grateful that she was able to purchase another Bloomington Public Library vest. She shared that she is working on getting a retiree forum up and running with the Illinois Library Association.

Adjournment

Trustee Whitworth made a motion, seconded by Trustee Zeck, to adjourn the meeting.

Motion carried (viva voce, 7-0).

The Meeting Adjourned at 6:35 PM.