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DECATUR PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Special Meeting

Minutes

Date: January 11, 2021

Time: 4:30 p.m.

Location: Decatur Public Library Board Room

Board Members

President:

Samantha Carroll

Members:

Sofia Xethalis

Amy Stockwell

Gregg Zientara

Michael Sexton

Susan Avery

Karl Coleman

Present: Samantha Carroll

Susan Avery

Michael Sexton

Gregg Zientara

Amy Stockwell

Sofia Xethalis

Staff: Rick Meyer, City Librarian

Robert Edwards, Asst. City Librarian

Betti Jo Heckwine, Administrative Aide

Alissa Henkel, Head of PRS

Rebecca Damptz, Head of Arch & Spec Col.

Carol Ziese, Head of Technical Services

Sherry Mallory, Library Assistant

Absent: Karl Coleman

Guests: None

Call to Order:

Ms. Carroll called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m.

Remote Attendance. Pursuant to State Executive Orders 2020-07 and 2020-18, which temporarily suspend the in-person presence requirements and eliminate the limitation on remote access of the Illinois Open Meetings Act due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Board is not requiring physical attendance at the meeting, and will allow all Board members to attend this meeting remotely and fully participate remotely.

Agenda- Ms. Carroll requested a motion for approval of the agenda, Ms. Xethalis made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Ms. Stockwell. Ms. Carroll requested roll call vote, Ms. Stockwell yes, Mr. Zientara yes, and Ms. Avery yes, Ms. Xethalis yes, Ms. Carroll yes, unanimously approved.

Public comments

None

Levels During Current Community COVID-19

Discussed the numbers of COVID-19 cases are lower for Macon County. Governor Pritzker is planning to make an announcement, if he is going to move Illinois region 6 back to Mitigation Tier II or I on Friday January 15, 2021. Discussed following the Governor's guidelines, when to re-open, and to what restrictions should be followed.

Discussed allowing Decatur Public Library to go back to the restrictions and guidelines they were following before closing in November.

The board decided to re-open on Tuesday January 19, 2021 with the same hours Mon - Thurs 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Friday 9 a.m.- 5:30 p.m., and closed on Saturday. Decatur Public Library plans to go back to normal days and hours of operation, in approximately 30 days.

Mr. Sexton made the motion to re-open with limited access and availability, expanding accordingly, seconded by Mr. Zientara. Ms. Carroll requested a roll call vote, Mr. Zientara yes, Ms. Xethalis yes, Ms. Stockwell yes, Ms. Avery yes, Mr. Sexton yes, and Ms. Carroll yes, unanimously approved.

Adjournment

Ms. Carroll requested a motion to adjourn, Mr. Sexton made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Xethalis. Mr. Zientara yes, Ms. Xethalis yes, Ms. Stockwell yes, Ms. Avery yes, Mr. Sexton yes, and Ms. Carroll yes, unanimously approved.

Scribe,
Betti Jo Heckwine Administrative Aide

Approval Pending
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