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DECATUR PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Annual Meeting

Minutes

Date: February 18, 2021

Time: 5:28 p.m.

Location: Decatur Public Library Board Room

Board President: Samantha Carroll **Board Members:** Sofia Xethalis, Amy Stockwell, Gregg Zientara, Michael Sexton, Susan Avery, Karl Coleman, Kathy Wrigley

Present: Samantha Carroll

Sofia Xethalis

Amy Stockwell

Greg Zientara

Susan Avery

Karl Coleman

Kathy Wrigley

Absent:

Michael Sexton

Staff: Rick Meyer, City Librarian

Michelle Whitehead, Administrative Secretary (via utube)

Guests:

Call to Order:

Samantha Carroll called the meeting to order at 5:28 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.

Public comments: None

Agenda: No discussion

Written Communications from the Public: None.

New Business

Participation in Non-Resident Card Program and Fees for Child Non-Resident Card (Action)

Mr. Meyer discussed each year the cost of a non-resident is determined by a mathematical formula. We only issue 2-5 cards per year. The Illinois General Assembly passed a new law to improve access to kids in unserved areas to get a free card when they meet the poverty level. Mr. Meyer recommended that DPL offer kids cards free for everyone, and use the mathematical formula for the adults. Mr. Zientara made a motion to participate in the non-resident program using the formula for adults and allowing kids to have free access. Ms. Xethalis seconded, Ms. Avery yes, Ms. Wrigley yes, Mr. Coleman yes, Ms. Stockwell yes, Mr Zientara yes, Ms. Carroll yes.

Annual Reports (Action)

Mr. Meyer discussed the 2020 Illinois Public Library Annual Report that is submitted to the State Library. Discussed total square footage in the library. Discussed the 2020 Trustees Report to Mayor and Council. Discussed the 2020 City Librarian's Report to Board, that reflected an emphasis on Covid-19. Ms. Xethalis made a motion to accept the annual reports with the change on the square footage and spelling correction. Mr. Coleman seconded. Ms. Carroll requested a roll call vote Ms. Xethalis yes, Mr. Coleman yes, Ms. Stockwell yes, Ms. Avery yes, Ms. Wrigley yes, Ms. Carroll yes.

Election of Officers for 2021/2022 (Action)

Ms. Carroll suggested to keep the current slate. Ms. Carroll would remain as President, Mr. Sexton remain as Vice President, and Ms. Xethalis remain as Secretary. Ms Carroll requested a motion to approve the current slate of officers, Mr. Zientara made a motion to approve, seconded by Mr. Coleman. Ms. Carroll requested a roll call vote, Ms. Xethalis yes, Mr. Zientara yes, Mr. Coleman yes, Ms. Wrigley yes, Ms. Stockwell yes, Ms. Avery yes, Ms. Carroll yes.

Committee and Liaison Appointments (Action)

Ms Carroll suggested to keep the current appointments. Ms. Xethalis made a motion to keep the appointments the same, Ms. Avery seconded the motion. Ms. Carroll requested a roll call vote, Ms. Xethalis yes, Mr. Zientara yes, Mr. Coleman yes, Ms. Stockwell yes, Ms. Avery yes, Ms. Wrigley yes, Ms. Carroll yes.

Adjournment

Ms. Carroll requested a motion for adjournment at 5:56 pm. Ms. Avery made the motion to adjourn, seconded by Ms. Xethalis. Ms. Carroll requested a roll call vote, Ms. Xethalis yes, Ms. Wrigley yes, Mr. Zientara yes, Mr. Coleman yes, and Ms. Stockwell, Ms. Avery yes, adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

Scribe,

Michelle Whitehead Administrative Secretary

Approved 3/18/21