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Library Board Meeting and Public Budget Hearing

AGENDA

May 20, 2021 - 6:30 PM
Virtual Meeting

Approved Minutes

Budget Hearing

1. Call to order: Budget Hearing called to order by Judeen Bartos at 6:35 pm.
2. Roll Call: Judeen Bartos, Kelly Farrah, Daniel Hooper, Kevin Yezbick. Director Jenny Marr and Recording Secretary Kerrie Patterson also present. All attendees virtual via Zoom from Ferndale, MI. Adrienne Fazzolara, Amanda Hanlin, and Meghan Evoy not present for budget hearing.
3. Open public hearing: No public were in attendance.
4. Discuss Library Budget: No discussion.
5. Call for public comment: No public were in attendance.
6. Close public hearing: Public hearing closed at 6:38 pm.

Board Meeting

1. Call to order: Meeting called to order by Judeen Bartos at 6:38 pm.
2. Roll call: Judeen Bartos, Kelly Farrah, Daniel Hooper, Kevin Yezbick. Director Jenny Marr and Recording Secretary Kerrie Patterson also present. All attendees virtual via Zoom from Ferndale, MI. Amanda Hanlin arrived at 6:39 pm. Meghan Evoy arrived at 6:52 pm. Adrienne Fazzolara arrived at 6:54 pm.
3. Approval of agenda: (See att.)
Motion: Approve the agenda as presented. (Farrah/second Hooper); Bartos-Yes, Farrah-Yes, Hanlin-Yes, Hooper-Yes, Yezbick-Yes.
4. Public comment: None present.
5. Minutes: Approve April 15, 2021 regular meeting proposed minutes: (See att.)
Motion: Approve April 15, 2021 regular meeting proposed minutes. (Yezbick/second Hanlin); Bartos-Yes, Farrah-Yes, Hanlin-Yes, Hooper-Yes, Yezbick-Yes.
6. Director's report: (See att.) Summer reading program announcement will be going out soon.

7. Ionization Module proposal: (See att.) Marr presented quote from Guardian Environmental Services (GES). In addition to the cost for the module, its air filters will need to be replaced on a regular basis.

Motion: Approve the Ionization System proposal by GES in the amount of \$8,000. (Hanlin/second Yezbick); Bartos-Yes, Farrah-Yes, Hanlin-Yes, Hooper-Yes, Yezbick-Yes.

8. Courtyard usage request: (See att.) Marr was approached with a request to use the courtyard for a wedding in the spring of 2022. Board discussed. Consensus that Marr can offer the space for photographs if it is able to work with library program usage but not a ceremony. Also discussed was the need to revise courtyard policy now that pandemic restrictions are being eased or lifted. Kelly and Jenny will spearhead the effort, working with the board's attorney as needed.

9. Acceptance of expenditures and finance reports for the month of April: Reminder that there will be one final budget amendment to be presented at the June meeting.

Motion: Accept the expenditures and finance reports for the month of April. (Yezbick/second Farrah); Bartos-Yes, Evoy-Yes, Farrah-Yes, Fazzolara-Yes, Hanlin-Yes, Hooper-Yes, Yezbick-Yes.

10. FY 2022 Budget Approval: Board reviewed budget proposed during the public hearing.

Motion: Approve the fiscal year 2022 budget proposal as presented. (Hanlin/second Yezbick); Bartos-Yes, Evoy-Yes, Farrah-Yes, Fazzolara-Yes, Hanlin-Yes, Hooper-Yes, Yezbick-Yes.

11. Committee reports:

A. Art & Exhibitions: There is a virtual art talk with Erin Brott-Holtzman on June 10. Her art will remain in the library until the end of June. New art will come up in August.

B. Friends of the FPL: Couch to 5k winners announced. Kate Siebenaler and Nina Kelly have stepped down from their board positions. The June 14th meeting at 6:30pm is the annual membership meeting. They are excited to re-open the book store, but that won't be right away. An outdoor book sale is being planned.

C. Equity, Diversity and Inclusion: Finalizing charter.

D. Finance: Covered previously.

E. Personnel: No report.

F. Schools: Will coordinate for programs in the fall when school resumes.

14. Committee membership appointments as needed: None needed.

15. Review action items:

A. Marr will communicate the Board decision regarding the request to use the courtyard for a wedding ceremony.

B. Farrah and Marr will resume work on the courtyard policy, with a goal of August for completion.

C. The board should email Farrah feedback regarding the courtyard usage and policy.

16. Announcements/comments from board members:

A. Hanlin offered to attend the soft-opening for the staff. The soft-opening will be sometime after Memorial Day but before June 7.

B. Fazzolara thanked Marr and the finance committee for the user-friendly budget proposal. She's excited for the library to re-open.

C. Yezbick mentioned the uniform chart of accounts, which will be introduced in the next fiscal year. Marr is looking forward to the change. Yezbick visited the library in person recently, and noticed the differences in the building with the plexiglass barriers and reduction of furniture. He also saw the newly renovated upstairs and took a look on the roof, and said it was nice to be back inside. He hopes the re-opening goes smoothly for staff.

D. Evoy said that she and her husband and friends enjoy the new August Snow books written by Stephen Mack Jones. They're set in Detroit and the author lives in Farmington Hills. She recommends that the author visit or do a podcast. She also thanked Marr for her work.

E. Bartos said the next meeting will be remote, due to Ferndale city orders, but the July meeting will likely be in-person.

17. Adjourn:

Motion: Adjourn the meeting at 7:35 pm. (Evoy/second Fazzolara); Bartos-Yes, Evoy-Yes, Farrah-Yes, Fazzolara-Yes, Hanlin-Yes, Hooper-Yes, Yezbick-Yes.

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