

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
THE FOUNTAINDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT  
WILL AND DUPAGE COUNTIES, ILLINOIS  
HELD AUGUST 15, 2024  
BOLINGBROOK, ILLINOIS

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Fountaindale Public Library District, Will and DuPage Counties, Illinois was held in the Margaret J. "Peggy" Danhof Board Room, 300 West Briarcliff Road, Bolingbrook, Illinois on Thursday, August 15, 2024 at 7 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Vice President Marcelo Valencia.

ROLL CALL

The roll was called by recorder, Juanita Lennon, and a quorum was established.

PRESENT

Present at roll call were Bobby Armstrong, Kathryn Spindel, Sarah Siska, Meraj Alam, Jim Daunis Jr. and Marcelo Valencia.

ABSENT

President Celeste Bermejo

President Bermejo was out of town and unable to attend the meeting.

FOUNTAINDALE STAFF PRESENT

The following staff was present: Paul Mills and Juanita Lennon.

Nancy Korczak was present online.

PUBLIC PRESENT

The following public was present: Jody Hargett and Jennie Mills.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, Valencia asked for a motion to approve the agenda. A motion was made by Siska, seconded by Daunis.

AYES: Armstrong, Spindel, Siska, Alam, Daunis, Valencia  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: Bermejo

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING – July 18, 2024

The minutes of the board meeting held July 18, 2024 were presented. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Armstrong, seconded by Alam. Minutes were approved as read.

AYES: Armstrong, Spindel, Siska, Alam, Daunis, Valencia  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: Bermejo

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION – July 18, 2024

The minutes of the Executive Session held July 18, 2024 were presented. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Spindel, seconded by Daunis. Minutes were approved as read.

AYES: Armstrong, Spindel, Siska, Alam, Daunis, Valencia  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: Bermejo

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

No comments were made.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Jody Hargett provided an update to the Board. Recently the Friends have been receiving many donations. The Nook continues to do very well. The classics are the more sought-after books. A total of 27 Summer Adventure free book vouchers for adults have been redeemed.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of Resolution 2024-2 – Resolution to Determine Estimate of Funds Needed for Fiscal Year 2024/2025

Mills reported that this resolution represents the next step in our budget cycle and restates the amount identified in our Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance of \$10,818,872 passed last month.

A motion to approve Resolution 2024-2 – Resolution to determine estimate of funds needed for Fiscal Year 2024/2025 was made by Alam, seconded by Daunis.

AYES: Armstrong, Spindel, Siska, Alam, Daunis, Valencia  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: Bermejo

Approval of Resolution 2024-3 – Resolution Designating Open Meetings Act Officers

A motion to approve Resolution 2024-3, Resolution designating Paul Mills and Juanita Lennon as the Open Meetings Act officers was made by Spindel, seconded by Siska.

AYES: Armstrong, Spindel, Siska, Alam, Daunis, Valencia  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: Bermejo

Approval of Resolution 2024-4 – Resolution Designating Freedom of Information Act Officers

A motion to approve Resolution 2024-4, Resolution designating Paul Mills and Jennie Nguyen as the Freedom of Information Act officers was made by Spindel, seconded by Armstrong.

AYES: Armstrong, Spindel, Siska, Alam, Daunis, Valencia  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: Bermejo

Approval of Memorandum of Agreement Among Valley View School District, Fountaindale Public Library District and White Oak Library District

Mills reported that this memorandum of agreement would continue the issuance of library cards to students in the Valley View School District from the appropriate library – either the Fountaindale Public Library District or the White Oak Library District. The term of this memorandum would be six years.

A motion to approve the Memorandum of Agreement among the Valley View School District, Fountaindale Public Library District and the White Oak Library District was made by Siska, seconded by Alam.

AYES: Armstrong, Spindel, Siska, Alam, Daunis, Valencia  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: Bermejo

Approval of Request for Trustees to Attend 2024 Illinois Library Association Annual Conference – October 8–10, 2024

A motion to approve the request of Trustees to attend the 2024 Illinois Library Association Annual Conference in Peoria, Illinois from October 8–10, 2024 was made by Spindel, seconded by Daunis.

AYES: Armstrong, Spindel, Siska, Alam, Daunis, Valencia  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: Bermejo

Approval of 2024 Illinois Public Library Annual Report (IPLAR)

Executive Director Mills discussed the report and commended Deputy Director Nancy Korczak for leading the completion of the report.

A motion to approve the 2024 Illinois Public Library Annual Report (IPLAR) was made by Armstrong, seconded by Alam.

AYES: Armstrong, Spindel, Siska, Alam, Daunis, Valencia  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: Bermejo

Approval of Appointment of Local Election Official and Deputy Local Election Officials

A motion to approve the appointment of Trustee Robert Armstrong as the Local Election Official and Juanita Lennon, Paul Mills and Nancy Korczak as the Deputy Local Election Officials was made by Siska, seconded by Daunis.

AYES: Armstrong, Spindel, Siska, Alam, Daunis, Valencia  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: Bermejo

LIBRARY PROJECTS

Executive Director Mills provided an update on the various ongoing library projects. The furniture for the 3rd floor renovations will be delivered before the end of August. The tentative completion date is in September. Mills also reported that the interior lighting project is scheduled to begin next week.

Mills, along with Tasos Priovolos and the Tria Architecture team will be meeting with the school district and park district to discuss the drainage issue in the parking lot.

The interior lighting project will begin next week as well.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report for July, 2024 was presented by Treasurer Spindel and will be filed for audit.

BILLS FOR APPROVAL

Bills Paid Report – August, 2024

Bills paid for the month of August in the amount of \$69,686.04 was presented for approval. Motion to approve was made by Spindel, seconded by Alam.

AYES: Armstrong, Spindel, Siska, Alam, Daunis, Valencia  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: Bermejo

Bills Payable Report – August, 2024

Bills payable for the month of August in the amount of \$400,689.67 was presented for approval. Motion to approve was made by Spindel, seconded by Daunis.

AYES: Armstrong, Spindel, Siska, Alam, Daunis, Valencia  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: Bermejo

DIRECTOR'S REPORT – July, 2024

Mills commented that the recent Staff In-Service was a great success. Presentations from both RAILS and the Pinnacle Library Cooperative were well received by staff. Mills thanked the Board for providing these training opportunities.

Mills announced that he was selected to chair the Illinois Library Association Public Policy Committee Open Meetings Act Subcommittee.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS

Building – An update was provided earlier.

Finance – None.

Strategic Plan – A full report was distributed.

Internal Board Operations – None.

AGENDA BUILDING FOR THE NEXT MEETING

The Public Hearing will be held at on September 19 at 6:30 p.m. prior to the Board Meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Trustee Armstrong thanked everyone for their support at his son's Eagle Scout ceremony earlier in the week.

The Friends Appreciation Dinner will be held on Wednesday, September 25 at 6 p.m. in Meeting Room A.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:34 p.m. was made by Alam, seconded by Daunis.

AYES: Armstrong, Spindel, Siska, Alam, Daunis, Valencia  
NAYES: None  
ABSENT: Bermejo

/s/ Robert Armstrong  
Secretary, Board of Library Trustees  
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/s/ Marcelo Valencia  
Vice President, Board of Library Trustees  
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/s/ Celeste M. Bermejo  
President, Board of Library Trustees  
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