



City of Madison

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Meeting Minutes - Draft MADISON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

*Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?
Who does not have a voice at the table?
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

Thursday, July 11, 2024

5:00 PM

Central Library, 201 W. Mifflin St., Rm. 301

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 8 - Sabrina V. Madison; Lisa C. Hempstead; Thomas A. DeChant; Plumer B. Lovelace III; Jolynne M. Roorda; Salud B. Garcia; Genevieve A. Carter and Mathias N. Lemos Castillo

A quorum was present and the meeting properly noticed.

Lisa Hempstead called the meeting to order at 5:01pm

MPL staff present: Tana Elias, Krissy Wick, Michael Spelman, Trent Miller, Molly Warren, Jane Jorgenson, Yesianne Ramirez, Ching Wong, Marc Gartler, Tammy Ocampo, Mark Benno, Carra Davies, Holly Storck-Post, Lori Suiter, Isis Newman, Carlee Latimer

Also present: Conor Moran, Katy Kaufman, Alder Field (via phone), Dr. Vakunta (via phone)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Lovelace III, seconded by Garcia, to Approve the Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Carlee Latimer, Trent Miller, Jennifer Bastion, and Annie Zauner registered for public comment on item # 6.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

No disclosures or recusals were made.

BOARD EXCHANGE

City wide Friends book sale raised over \$7500. The board will hold elections at the August meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

1. [84283](#) Director's Report - June, 2024

A motion was made by Lemos Castillo, seconded by Carter, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

2. [84211](#) Approval of Library's Non-Competitive Selection Request for Central Paging System.

A motion was made by Garcia, seconded by Roorda, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

3. [84197](#) Approval of the May 2024 Financial Reports.

A motion was made by Madison, seconded by Lemos Castillo, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

4. [84201](#) Approval of the 2024 Mid-Year Projection Report.

A motion was made by Madison, seconded by Carter, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

5. [84204](#) Approval of the 2025 Operating Budget Request

A motion was made to approve, seconded by Lovelace. The motion was rescinded.

A motion was made by DeChant, seconded by Garcia, to approve Option B

Madison made a friendly amendment, seconded by Carter, to amend the motion on the table to draft an option C which will:

Eliminate the Business Operations Manager position and use the funding for

- Monroe Street Library 2 days per week

- Dream Bus operations (two thirds of annual operations, Foundation commitment

will fund remainder in 2025 & 2026. Will need an additional \$5,000 in 2027 to fully

fund service at current level and an additional \$31,000 in 2028)

AND

- Assuming the cost to continue budget is approved by November, the library intends to create through vacancies 3 new systemwide positions to support the development of the Imagination Center at Reindahl Park

The motion passed by the following vote:

Ayes: 6 - Lisa C. Hempstead; Thomas A. DeChant; Plumer B. Lovelace III; Salud B. Garcia; Genevieve A. Carter and Mathias N. Lemos Castillo

Noes: 2 - Sabrina V. Madison and Jolynne M. Roorda

A motion was made by Madison, seconded by Carter, to take up item 6 before item 5. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

A motion was made by Garcia, seconded by Madison, to Take A Recess. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

The board recessed at 6:58 pm and reconvened at 7:11 pm.

6. [84207](#) Approval of the 2025 Operating Budget Reduction Scenario

A motion was made by DeChant, seconded by Carter, move to approve reduction with the understanding there is flexibility on how the reduction in evening hours is implemented across libraries and the preference for seeing reductions in positions through attrition rather than layoff. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

A friendly amendment was made by Roorda, seconded by Garcia to minimize the reductions on staff positions and maximize the reductions on program services and supplies. The amendment was passed by voice vote/other.

A motion was made by Carter, seconded by DeChant, to make a statement that the Madison Public Library Board is in support of a referendum which funds the operating costs to continue and funds the ongoing operational costs of the Imagination Center at Reindahl Park. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Garcia, seconded by DeChant, to Adjourn. The motion passed by voice vote/other.