



City of Madison

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Meeting Minutes - Approved MADISON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

Thursday, April 4, 2019

5:00 PM

Meadowridge Library, 5726 Raymond Rd.

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Lisa C. Hempstead; Jaime A. Healy-Plotkin; Cindy L. Fesemyer; Greg E. Dunkelberger; Eve Galanter and Jair C. Alvarez
Absent: 2 - Barbara Harrington-McKinney and Alyssa C. Kenney
Excused: 1 - Joseph G. Rosas

Also present: Tana Elias, Susan Lee, Lori Suiter, Krissy Wick, Kevin Englebert, Terrance Newell, Mark Benno, Marc Gartler, Anne Lucke, Greg Mickells

A quorum was present and the meeting was properly noticed.

Jaime Healy-Plotkin called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Alvarez, seconded by Dunkelberger, to Approve the Minutes. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There were no disclosures or recusals.

BOARD MEMBER EXCHANGE

The Board wished member Lisa Hempstead a Happy School Librarian Day. Cindy Fesemyer announced she has resigned her position as Director of the Columbus Library and accepted a new position with the State Department of Public Instruction.

MEADOWRIDGE LIBRARY REPORT

Meadowridge Supervisor, Dr. Terrance Newell, stated he has been in his position 10 months and Meadowridge is a very bustling and jumping library as evidenced by the approximately 70 - 80 tweens and teens currently in attendance at programs in the library and neighborhood center as he spoke. He outlined his focus areas of recentring the behavioral climate on site, increasing programming for all ages including securing grants and gifts for programs, increasing circulation, making sure reference services align with best practices and strengthening existing partnerships.

Alyssa Kenney arrived at 5:20 p.m. during Dr. Newell's talk.

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ACCEPTANCE OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT

[55190](#)

March 2019 Library Director's Report

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

Greg Mickells recognized Sarah Lawton for her work with the City's RESJ initiative. Eve Galanter thanked Tana Elias for all her efforts organizing the movie showing of "The Public" at the Central Library.

Mickells announced the closing on the gray box of the new Pinney Library is April 11th @ 2:00 p.m. Early voting numbers were terrific again and the City Clerk's office is very complimentary of library staff for making this happen. There was a drug overdose at the Central library on Sunday. Staff administered naran and saved a life. Greg shared information regarding the recent incident at the Lakeview library. The Board discussed the Facebook thread and the video that was posted. Local reporter Chris Rickert is conducting interviews in preparation to write a follow up article for the newspaper. Greg is proud of how the Lakeview staff handled the incident and Galanter wanted the Librarians to know they have the Board's full support.

APPROVAL OF 2019 ADJACENT COUNTY REIMBURSEMENT REQUESTS

[55189](#)

2019 Adjacent County Reimbursement Requests

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

APPROVAL OF 2018 OPERATING BUDGET REPORT

[55207](#) 2018 YTD Operating Budget Report as of March 25, 2019

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

APPROVAL OF 2019 YTD OPERATING BUDGET REPORT

[55208](#) 2019 YTD Operating Budget Report as of March 27, 2019

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

APPROVAL OF CAPITAL PROJECT STATUS REPORT

[55204](#) Capital Project Status Report as of March 25, 2019

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

FACILITIES REPORT

[55201](#) Imagine Reindahl Planning Update - April 2019

Mark Benno announced renovations at Goodman South Madison are nearing completion with painting scheduled for the end of the month. A donor event will be held near Memorial Day. Planning has begun for remodeling work at Alicia Ashman and Lakeview.

Kevin Engelbert reported he has done a lot of work with East High and Hawthorne Elementary schools. In gathering information on the priorities of the Reindahl community one issue that repeatedly comes up is mental health services.

FOUNDATION REPORT

Foundation Board member Anne Lucke stated Lunch for Libraries is May 15th with author Celeste Ng. The event will be held at Monona Terrace and reservations are still being accepted. A Rack Raising is in process as a fundraiser for the new Pinney Library. It allows naming rights that will appear on a bike rack outside the new building. A grant has been awarded to Meadowridge Library for their virtual reality project. The MPLF Board had a glowing report of Supervising Librarian Terrance Newell's application for the grant.

FRIENDS REPORT[55376](#)

Friends of MPL Report April 2, 2019

The Madison Public Library Foundation is now the fiscal agent of the Goodman South Madison Friends. The Book Club Café will be held on May 23rd at the Central Library featuring author Lucy Tan.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIBRARY SYSTEM REPORT

Jaime Healy-Plotkin reported the final report of the Public Library System Redesign committee has been filed with the State DPI. A possible merger with the SCLS and Marathon County is being discussed. Wausau is seen as a great hub for delivery in the State of WI.

DANE COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICE REPORT

There was no report.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.