



City of Madison

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Meeting Minutes - Approved 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 1, 2021

5:00 PM

Virtual

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

This meeting was held virtually.

Eve Galanter called the meeting to order at 5pm.

A quorum was present and the meeting properly noticed.

Present: 8 - Juliana R. Bennett; Lisa C. Hempstead; Jaime A. Healy-Plotkin; Cindy L. Fesemyer; Alyssa C. Kenney; Eve Galanter; Michael I. Ford and Jair C. Alvarez

Excused: 1 - Jolynne M. Roorda

MPL staff present: Greg Mickells, Krissy Wick, Ching Wong, Mark Benno, Tana Elias, Michael Spelman, Molly Warren, Margie Navarre-Saaf, Susan Lee, Yesianne Ramirez, Lori Suiter, Isis Newman, Tina Marie Maes, Holly Storck-Post.

Also present: Alder Charles Myadze

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

No disclosures or recusals were made.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was made.

1. [66165](#) Public Comment - July 1, 2021

BOARD EXCHANGE

MPL STAFF REPORT

Ching Wong, Supervising Neighborhood Librarian for Goodman South Madison Library, provided a report on the Goodman South Madison Library,

highlighting new staff, the addition of fax and notary services, events and programming.

ACTION ITEMS

2. [66180](#) Director's Report - June 2021

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

3. [66156](#) Authorizing acceptance and appropriation to the 2021 Operating Budget \$30,400 in funds raised by Madison Public Library Foundation for the Hawthorne Library renovations.

A motion was made by Kenney, seconded by Healy-Plotkin, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

4. [66160](#) Approval of the May 2021 Financial Reports.

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

2022 OPERATING BUDGET REQUEST ITEMS

5. [66168](#) 2022 Cost to Continue Request

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

6. [66169](#) 2022 Mandated Reductions Options

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

7. [66170](#) 2022 Supplemental Request: Make permanent the operating funds that bring resources to community agencies and individuals in the amount of \$15,000.

A motion was made by Healy-Plotkin, seconded by Ford, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

FACILITIES REPORT

Mark Benno provided a facilities report with information on the neighborhood library LED upgrade at 3 libraries. Hawthorne will be complete in about 2 weeks, Ashman will commence in about 6 weeks, and Lakeview will start in 12 weeks. Meadowridge and Sequoya did not get enough bids but the library is

exploring using the Green Power Program which pairs master electricians with trainees who are normally underrepresented in the trade, including women and people of color.

FOUNDATION REPORT

No report given.

FRIENDS REPORT

Greg Mickells reported that the Friends have started working on a backlog of materials at LSC and looking at alternative to booksales.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIBRARY SYSTEM REPORT

Jamie Healy-Plotkin reported on the changes in delivery model that were discussed at the last SCLS board meeting. Representatives from DPI spoke about the project and how it came out of the public library redesign project and is intended to avoid negative impacts on any individual library system. It appears that some of these changes could significantly hinder SCLS's budget. Jaime will provide more information as it becomes available.

DANE COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICE REPORT

Greg Mickells reported that the Dane County Library directors are meeting and sharing where they are at, with a recent focus on returning to in-person programming.

LATE ITEMS

- 8. [66223](#) Resume in-person Library Board meetings beginning September 2nd, 2021

A motion was made by Fesemyer, seconded by Ford, to Approve. The motion failed by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 - Cindy L. Fesemyer; Alyssa C. Kenney; Eve Galanter and Michael I. Ford

Noes: 4 - Juliana R. Bennett; Lisa C. Hempstead; Jaime A. Healy-Plotkin and Jair C. Alvarez

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ADJOURNMENT