

STOUGHTON PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2024, @ 6:30 P.M.
HYBRID MEETING IN CARNEGIE ROOM
& VIA ZOOM



PRESENT: Ken Axe; Amy Ketterer (virtual); Lora Klitzke; Teri LeSage, President; Jean Ligocki, Vice-President/City Council Representative (virtual); Sharon Meilahn Bartlett (virtual); Erin Meinholz; Kristin Rosenberg, Stoughton Area School District Representative; Dayna Versteegen (virtual); Siri Vienneau, Student Trustee
ALSO PRESENT: Jim Ramsey, Library Director; Sarah Monette, Administrative Assistant

- I. CALL TO ORDER. 6:31 P.M. by President Teri LeSage
- II. REVIEW OF AGENDA & CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN MEETINGS LAW.

[Ketterer, Versteegen, Vienneau arrived at 6:32 P.M.]

- III. CONSENT AGENDA. *Motion to approve: Meinholz. Second: Rosenberg. Vote: 8-0.*
- IV. RECOGNITION OPPORTUNITIES. Rosenberg applauded the Friends' minigolf event.
- V. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD. Ligocki spoke about organizing a community Pride event around the Library's concert

[Axe arrived 6:40 P.M.]

- VI. REVIEW/DISCUSSION OF CORRESPONDENCE. Ramsey shared letters from State Representative Jenna Jacobson and Congressman Mark Pocan, also a thank you letter from the Friends about the minigolf event.
- VII. EDUCATION UPDATES. Meilahn Bartlett mentioned the upcoming Juneteenth event and an NPR article about a Georgia bill to sever relationships with the American Library Association.
- VIII. BOARD IN-SERVICE: Trustee Essential #13: Library Advocacy. Ramsey presented.
- IX. DIRECTOR'S REPORT. Ramsey presented. In addition to his written report, he updated the Board on the hiring process for the RFID LTE position, talked about the Public Safety Space Needs study, and reminded the Board about the Chamber Expo on April 4.
- X. COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - A. Finance: did not meet
 - B. Personnel: did not meet
 - C. Planning: prepared the Board Self-Evaluation survey
 - D. Policies: see New Business B, C, and D.
- XI. OLD BUSINESS
 - A. Progress report from ad hoc Trustee Recruitment Committee. They will present their recommendation to the Board at the April meeting.
 - B. Progress report from ad hoc Student Trustee Recruitment Committee. Ramsey described outreach and publicity undertaken.

XII. NEW BUSINESS.

- A. Authorization for South Central Library System to bill adjacent counties for library services for 2025. *Motion to authorize SCLS to bill all counties listed:* Meinholz. *Second:* Ligocki. *Vote:* 9-0.
- B. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed changes to Naming Rights Policy, Security Camera Policy, Unattended Children Policy. *Motion to approve changes to all three policies:* Axe. *Second:* Rosenberg. *Vote:* 9-0.
- C. Discussion and possible action regarding proposed changes to Board By-laws. *Motion to approve changes:* Rosenberg. *Second:* Verstegen. *Vote:* 9-0.
- D. Discussion and possible action related to approval of undesignated gift funds from Fund 217 to be used for staff appreciation. *Motion to approve expenditure of up to \$1,000:* Klitzke. *Second:* Verstegen. *Vote:* 9-0.

XIII. PENDING AGENDA ITEMS.

- A. Discussion of library closures on federal holidays not currently designated as paid holidays by the City of Stoughton: Presidents' Day, Juneteenth, Indigenous Peoples' Day, and Veterans Day.
- B. Reminder for standing committees to review, and possibly report on, their progress toward the 2024 Board Goals throughout the year.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT. *Motion to adjourn at 7:25 P.M.:* Meinholz. *Second:* Verstegen. *Vote:* 9-0.

Minutes taken by Sarah Monette.