

The Nyack Library
Minutes of the Regular
Board of Trustees Meeting
Monday, March 11, 2019

Present:

E. Michael Growney, **President**
Ellyse Okin Berg, **Vice President**
Stephen Beck, **Treasurer**
Tamara Jhashi
Roger Seiler
Bebb Wheeler Stone
Cora Sarjeant Wilder

Absent:

Peter Danish
Debra Karten, **Secretary**
*Brian Murrell
*Peter Vermazen

***=Excused**

Staff: Jane Marino, Library Director
Sharon Alfano, Business Manager

Call to Order:

The Board President Mr. Growney called the Regular Monthly Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Agenda Approval:

Upon motion by Mr. Seiler, seconded by Ms. Berg, it was resolved to approve the proposed agenda. The yes votes were unanimous, 7-0.

Review of the Minutes:

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting, January 8, 2018 were not approved, there was no quorum of Board Members who were present at that meeting to approve them.

The Minutes of the February 11, 2019 Regular Board Meeting were not approved, as there was no quorum of Board Members who were present at that meeting to approve them.

Public Comments:

William J. Silver-no comment at this time.

Director's Report:

Mrs. Marino presented her report and asked if there were any questions. Ms. Berg noted a change to the report, the board she appeared before was the Village Planning Board, not the Zoning Board. The meeting was to request a permit for the removal of the Oak tree on the DePew property. The Planning Board asked that it be replaced with a hard wood tree. Mrs. Marino has scheduled the work with Wickes Arborists. The Carnegie Concerts had a great turnout, 103 in attendance and had to turn away some people.

No Personnel Actions.

Upon motion by Mr. Beck, seconded by Dr. Stone, the Board unanimously accepted the Inventory Report, the yes vote 7-0.

Committee Reports:

Development Committee:

Upon motion by Ms. Berg to accept the Gifts & Grants Report for February 2019, seconded by Dr. Jhashi, the Board resolved to accept with appreciation \$70 in General support and \$150 in Designated support to the Annual Appeal. The 2019 Annual Development Appeal total to date has brought in \$15,603 in donations. From Friends of the Library support \$1,825 for Museum Passes and Programs. The yes vote was unanimous 7-0.

Financial Reports:

Treasurer's Report:

Mr. Beck reviewed his report with the Board. On February 28 Library's cash balance was \$1,539,550, an additional \$174,261 held in Debt Service Reserve account until the Series B bonds mature, 2027, or are defeased before 2027. On February 28, the Library had \$4,416,275 in long term debt.

In February, the Audit and Finance Committees approved the engagement of Baldessari & Coster to undertake the annual independent audit of the Library's financial accounts for FY 2019.

Upon motion by Mr. Beck, seconded by Ms. Berg the Board unanimously approved Baldessari and Coster to execute Nyack Library's Audit for Fiscal Year 2019, at a fixed rate of \$15,000. The yes vote 7-0.

Mr. Beck reviewed the Operations report. Library running on budget, \$154,356 cash surplus realized for the first eight months of the fiscal year 2019. The DePew House operated at a \$46,450 cash deficit, and the Stevenson House operated at a \$18,632 cash surplus.

The Balance Sheet and Financial Statements were not approved.

Upon motion by Mr. Beck and seconded by Mr. Seiler it was resolved that the Nyack Library Board of Trustees approve the following disbursements reported for February 2019 which have been reviewed by the President and/or the Vice President, Secretary and the Treasurer: General Fund Expenses of \$65,423.44, Rental Fund Expenses of \$4,383.06, Debt Fund Expenses for \$36,322.89, Payroll Disbursement for pay date February 1, 2019 for \$57,439.80 and Payroll Disbursement for pay date February 15, 2019 for \$56,331.66, for a total of \$219,900.85. The yes votes, 7-0.

8:01 pm. Upon motion by Mr. Beck, seconded by Dr. Wilder, the Board unanimously agreed to go into Executive Session to discuss the sale of the Stevenson House. The yes vote 7-0.

8:07 pm. Upon motion by Ms. Berg, seconded by Mr. Seiler, the Board unanimously agreed to come out of Executive Session. The yes vote 7-0.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Mrs. Marino informed the Board about the Staff Anniversary Celebration date being moved up to April 26, instead of the month June.

Mr. William Silver, Nyack resident, inquired about the RFID security gates.

Mr. Seiler and Mr. Growney discussed the 2019 Committee Assignment changes and additions with the Board.

Public Comments:

None.

Adjournment:

Upon motion by Mr. Seiler, seconded by Ms. Berg, it was resolved to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. The yes vote was unanimous, 7-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Minerva Parker

Board Clerk

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