

Minutes
For the West Bloomfield Township Public Library
Board of Trustees Meeting on
January 13, 2021
Held Virtually via Zoom

(In compliance with the Open Meetings Act as amended by 2021 SB 1246)

Present: **Kari Eickemeyer** (attending remotely from West Bloomfield, Oakland County, Michigan)
 Carol Foster (attending remotely from West Bloomfield, Oakland County, Michigan)
 Judith Holtz (attending remotely from West Bloomfield, Oakland County, Michigan)
 Carol Kravetz (attending remotely from West Bloomfield, Oakland County, Michigan)
 Ken Macon (attending remotely from West Bloomfield, Oakland County, Michigan)
 Cathy Russ, Director
 Jeff Crocker (staff co-host)
 Robert Pesale (staff co-host)
 Bob Tera, West Bloomfield resident
 Clara Bohrer, Retired Director
 Marcia Gershenson—Vice Chairwoman, Oakland County Board of Commissioners

Absent: None

Call to Order

President Kravetz called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. An attendance roll call vote was taken by Secretary Foster and a quorum of five Board members were participating remotely from West Bloomfield Township, Oakland County, Michigan.

Approval of Agenda

**MOTION:
MOVE TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR THE JANUARY 13, 2021 MEETING.**

Moved: Macon
Second: Foster
Ayes: Eickemeyer, Foster, Holtz, Kravetz, Macon
Nays: None
MOTION CARRIED.

Presentation to Clara Bohrer by Oakland County Board of Commissioners Vice Chairwoman Marcia Gershenson, District 13

President Kravetz introduced Marcia Gershenson, who presented retired West Bloomfield Township Public Library Director Clara Bohrer with a proclamation from the Oakland County Board of Commissioners. Ms. Bohrer's 30 years of dedicated service to the Library and the West Bloomfield community were highlighted in the proclamation, and Ms. Gershenson thanked Ms. Bohrer for her many contributions to the community.

Correspondence

Director Russ notes that 9 applications for the open Trustee seat have been received; there have also been several inquiries about the position.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Approval of Minutes

**MOTION:
MOVE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE DECEMBER 9, 2020 BOARD MEETING.**

Moved: Foster
Second: Macon
Ayes: Foster, Macon, Eickemeyer, Holtz, Kravetz
Nays: None
MOTION CARRIED.

Financial Report

The December 2020 financial statements were accepted.

Director's Report

The January 2021 Director's Report was accepted.

Accounts Payable

MOTION:

MOVE TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF ALL BILLS AND ACCOUNTS DUE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$178,832.28 AND RATIFY EXPENSES INCURRED SINCE DECEMBER 9, 2020 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$260,467.35.

Moved: Macon

Second: Holtz

Ayes: Macon, Foster, Eickemeyer, Holtz, Kravetz

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED.

Invitation to Thomas Meyer's Family to February Board Meeting

President Kravetz called for acclamation from the board to invite the family of Thomas Meyer to the February board meeting, to present a framed proclamation and plaque in recognition of his 34 years of dedicated service to WBTP and the Board of Trustees.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY ACCLAMATION OF THE BOARD.

Process and Timeline for Filling Open Trustee Position

MOTION:

MOVE TO APPROVE THE PROCESS AND TIMELINE FOR FILLING THE OPEN TRUSTEE POSITION

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Motion: Eickemeyer
Second: Holtz
Ayes: Eickemeyer, Kravetz, Foster, Holtz, Macon
Nays: None
MOTION CARRIED.

Appointment of Officers to the Nominating Committee

MOTION:

MOVE TO APPOINT CAROL FOSTER, JUDITH HOLTZ AND KEN MACON TO THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Moved: Eickemeyer
Second: Holtz
Ayes: Eickemeyer, Kravetz, Foster, Holtz, Macon
Nays: None
MOTION CARRIED.

Board Comments

- The Board members welcomed Director Russ to her new position.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Karen Eickemeyer, Deputy Secretary