Minutes

For the West Bloomfield Township Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting on August 11, 2021

Held Virtually via Zoom

(In compliance with the Open Meetings Act as amended by 2020 SB 1246)

Present:

Michael Dorfman (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)

Raman Singh (attending remotely from West Bloomfield, Oakland

County, Michigan)

Cathy Russ, Library Director Jeff Crocker (staff co-host) Robert Pesale (staff co-host)

Excused:

Kari Eickemeyer

Call to Order

President Kravetz called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. An attendance roll call vote was taken by Secretary Dorfman and a quorum of five Board members were present, participating remotely from West Bloomfield Township, Oakland County, Michigan.

Approval of Agenda

MOTION:

MOVE TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR THE AUGUST 11, 2021 MEETING

Moved:

Holtz

Second:

Singh

Aves:

Dorfman, Holtz, Kravetz, Macon, Singh

Navs:

None

MOTION CARRIED.

Correspondence—none.

Public Comment--none

Approval of Minutes

MOTION:

MOVE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE JULY 14, 2021 BOARD MEETING.

Moved:

Macon

Second:

Holtz

Ayes:

Dorfman, Holtz, Kravetz, Macon, Singh

Navs:

None

MOTION CARRIED.

Financial Report

The July 2021 financial statements were accepted.

Director's Report

Russ mentioned that Luanne Fine, the Library's Finance Manager/Benefits Coordinator, retired at the end of July and that Lynda Belian, the new Finance Manager/Benefits Coordinator, is on the job and available to answer any questions Board members may have. The Drive Up book drop was closed today due to the removal of an active wasps' nest. Two surveys are being advertised in the Fall newsletter, Library website and social media; the topics are Marketing and eBooks. We welcome and want patron feedback so please take the surveys and spread the word. The June 2021 Director's Report was accepted.

Accounts Payable

MOTION:

MOVE TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF ALL BILLS AND ACCOUNTS DUE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$216,254.90 AND RATIFY EXPENSES INCURRED SINCE JULY 14, 2021 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$176,606.24.

Moved:

Macon

Second:

Holtz

Aves:

Dorfman, Holtz, Kravetz, Macon, Singh

Nays:

None

MOTION CARRIED.

Old Business

MOTION:

MOVE TO APPROVE THE REVISED WAGE SCHEDULE AS RECOMMENDED, EFFECTIVE AUGUST 30, 2021.

Moved:

Holtz

Second:

Macon

Ayes:

Dorfman, Holtz, Kravetz, Macon, Singh

Nays:

None

MOTION CARRIED.

New Business

MOTION:

MOVE TO APPROVE THE REVISION TO PERSONNEL POLICY #31, THE DEFINED CONTRIBUTION PLAN.

Moved:

Singh

Second:

Macon

Ayes:

Dorfman, Holtz, Kravetz, Macon, Singh

Navs:

None

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION:

MOVE TO APPROVE THE PERSONNEL POLICIES #32, WELFARE AND ECONOMIC BENEFITS, SHORT-TERM DISABILITY AND #32B, WELFARE AND ECONOMIC BENEFITS, LONG-TERM DISABILITY.

Moved:

Macon

Second:

Dorfman

Aves:

Dorfman, Holtz, Kravetz, Macon, Singh

Navs:

None

MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION:

MOVE TO APPROVE THE CHANGE TO MAIN LIBRARY HOURS OF OPERATION ON SUNDAYS FROM SEPTEMBER 7 – DECEMBER 31, 2021.

Moved:

Holtz

Second:

Singh

Ayes:

Dorfman, Holtz, Kravetz, Macon, Singh

Navs:

None

MÓTION CARRIED.

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MOTION:

MOVE TO APPROVE THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 MID-YEAR BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS.

Moved:

Macon

Second:

Holtz

Ayes:

Dorfman, Holtz, Kravetz, Macon, Singh

Navs:

None

MOTION CARRIED.

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MOVE TO APPROVE THE REVISIONS TO LIBRARY POLICY #28, TUTORIAL ROOM/GROUP STUDY ROOM USAGE AND GUIDELINES.

Moved:

Macon

Second:

Dorfman

Ayes:

Dorfman, Holtz, Kravetz, Macon, Singh

Navs:

None

MOTION CARRIED,

<u>Board Comments—</u>Russ let the board know that the Audit Presentation has been scheduled for the September 8 Board Meeting; auditors from Plante Moran will conduct this presentation. The board agreed by consensus to meet via Zoom in September. Russ will let the auditors know that the meeting will be virtual.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 pm.

Michael Dorfman, Secretary