

Mission Statement

To be a community destination for traditional and online resources which empower and enrich the individual.

GENESEE DISTRICT LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

At

Genesee District Library Headquarters

5:30 p.m.

4195 West Pasadena Avenue

Flint, MI 48504

August 18, 2014

Minutes

Call to Order: 5:30 p.m.

Present: Crites, Delaney, Frazier, Klink, Lane and Ryals-Massey.

Also Present: P. Parker (Corporation Counsel), D. Conklin, A. Goldyn and E. Button.

Absent: Bennett and Conerly-Moon.

Public Comments: None.

Approval of

Consent Agenda:

C. Lane moved to accept the revised consent agenda. Motion supported by R. Crites. Roll call: ayes – Crites, Delaney, Frazier, Klink, Lane and Ryals-Massey; nays – none.

Board Development:

P. Parker suggested having a board development presentation at the next board meeting. After some discussion, W. Delaney stated the meeting could start at 5 p.m. to accommodate the presentation.

MMLC:

L. Klink stated that the next meeting will be on September 11 and R. Crites will commence his term on that board.

Corporation Counsel:

P. Parker stated his discussion will be handled during closed session.

GDL Foundation:

L. Klink stated the GDL Foundation has agreed to purchase new chairs for the Beecher location and the next meeting will be held on September 10.

Written Reports:

C. Lane inquired if all the other reports were being combined into his report and D. Conklin replied they have been combined.

L. Ryals-Massey inquired about the Fenton art walk and if the art displayed was for sale. D. Conklin replied that the art at the library was just for display. P. Parker stated that art displayed elsewhere in Fenton was for sale.

L. Ryals-Massey inquired about the Lego donation at Goodrich and D. Conklin replied that it was one person that made the donation.

L. Ryals-Massey stated she likes that the newly formed Friends of the Genesee Valley location are partnering with the Swartz Creek Friends group.

L. Ryals-Massey commented that she is pleased that the volunteer manual has been changed to reflect that they are not insured by GDL in the event of an accident.

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L. Ryals-Massey inquired about the resolution of the employee –relative disruption situation. D. Conklin stated the employee was consulted about the situation and has assured us that it will no longer be a problem.

L. Ryals-Massey inquired how often GDL is billed for the Freegal music service and A. Goldyn replied it is billed annually.

W. Delaney inquired who selects the Black History Month Brunch honorees. E. Button stated people in the community make suggestions and it is discussed in staff meetings. W. Delaney inquired about the projected number of honorees and E. Button replied that there will be four, one of which will be an organization. W. Frazier inquired if there were certain criteria for someone to be nominated and E. Button replied it is based upon suggestions from the community. L. Ryals-Massey inquired if the ability to draw people to the event is taken into consideration when selecting an honoree and E. Button replied it is considered. L. Ryals-Massey inquired if the public knows they can make suggestions for honorees and E. Button replied that fact was stated during an interview with WJRT a week after this year’s brunch. L. Ryals-Massey inquired if a headliner act had been booked yet and E. Button stated an offer has been made and the agent will respond within two weeks. W. Delaney inquired about the budget information presented and E. Button replied that it is a projected amount.

W. Delaney inquired about the list of activities he was given. D. Conklin stated that at the July board meeting R. Crites asked for a list of E. Button’s activities/duties and this is the list.

C. Lane inquired about the national library card sign up month. E. Button stated that during the month of September when people show their library card at participating businesses, they will receive a discount. C. Lane suggested putting the posters up at the local municipality buildings.

Finance Committee: C. Lane stated a meeting was held today to discuss and recommend the board approve adding the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) as part of the annual budget process and the recommendation to reduce the Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) liability.

Marketing Committee: Nothing to report.

Personnel Committee: L. Ryals-Massey stated a meeting will be held on Monday, August 25 at 5:30 p.m. to review the Administrative/Exempt Employee Handbook.

Policy Committee: Nothing to report.

OPEB Liability: C. Lane moved to accept the Finance Manager’s recommendation to move an additional \$250,000 into the OPEB designated fund as soon as possible. Motion supported by R. Crites. Roll call: ayes – Crites, Delaney, Frazier, Klink, Lane and Ryals-Massey; nays – none.

Capital Improvement Plan: C. Lane moved to accept the capital improvement plan as part of the annual budget process. Motion supported by R. Crites. Roll call: ayes – Crites, Delaney, Frazier, Klink, Lane and Ryals-Massey; nays – none.

L-4029 Form: L. Klink moved to approve the Form L-4029, which is for the annual tax assessment authorization. Motion supported by L. Ryals-Massey. Roll call: ayes – Crites, Delaney, Frazier, Klink, Lane and Ryals-Massey; nays – none.

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Closed Session: C. Lane moved to enter closed session at 6:14 p.m. to discuss the pending litigation. Motion supported by L. Ryals-Massey. Roll call: ayes – Crites, Delaney, Frazier, Klink, Lane and Ryals-Massey; nays – none.

Open Session: C. Lane moved to return to open session at 6:36 p.m. Motion supported by L. Ryals-Massey. Roll call: ayes – Crites, Delaney, Frazier, Klink, Lane and Ryals-Massey; nays – none.

Settlement: R. Crites moved to instruct our insurance carrier counsel that we consent to the acceptance of the case evaluation award issued in Harshfield v Genesee District Library. Motion supported by W. Frazier. Roll call: ayes – Crites, Delaney, Frazier, Klink, Lane and Ryals-Massey; nays – none.

Board Comments: None.

Adjournment: R. Crites moved to adjourn at 6:09 p.m. Motion supported by L. Klink.