

RACINE PUBLIC LIBRARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES' MEETING  
MINUTES  
October 13, 2016

A regular monthly meeting of the Racine Public Library Board of Trustees was held on October 13, 2016, at 4:00 PM at the Racine Public Library in the Emily Lee Room.

Board members Carole Johnson, Mollie Jones, Melissa Kaprelian-Becker, Brian O'Connell, James O'Hagan, Ahmad Qawi, Sandra Riekoff, Chris Terry and Michele Woods were present. Business Manager Dan Schultz and Library Director Jessica MacPhail were present. Staff member Darcy Mohr was present. RPL Foundation members Debby Eisel, Genevieve Sesto, and Mary Wilkes-Dyette were present. RPL Feasibility Study Committee member Dwayne Olsen was present. Member of the public Mike Eisel was present. Also present was reporter Tom Karkow from WRJN radio.

President Kaprelian-Becker called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

No public wished to comment.

**A special board meeting to discuss real estate transactions in closed session will be held on Thursday, November 3, 2016.**

**Discussion of the future of the library:**

Ms. Riekoff reported on the Feasibility Study Committee. A full report will be presented to the Library Foundation on October 13, 2016 at 5:00 PM.

The quarterly update of the Road Map to 2020 was presented. Several suggestions were made and will be included in the next update.

**New Business**

It was moved by Ms. Riekoff and seconded by Mr. Terry to approve the Resolution proclaiming National Friends of the Libraries Week, October 16-22, 2016. Motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Terry and seconded by Mr. Qawi to approve the Lost and Found Procedure. This will be posted at all the public desks. Motion carried.

## Old Business

1. Vacancies on library board were discussed. One person is interested. No action was taken.
2. Goal IX-I, Subscribe to cable TV for trial period. It was moved by Mr. O'Hagan and seconded by Mr. O'Connell to subscribe to cable TV for one TV. Ms. Mohr reported on the various programs planned by the Adult Department. All programs will use Closed Captioning. Motion carried, 1 abstention.
3. It was moved by Ms. Riekoff and seconded by Mr. O'Connell to approve the amended bylaws. Motion carried.

## Information

### Road Map to 2020

1. Goal IV-D, Young patrons develop reading skills by reading to dogs and cats, graph presented
2. Goal X-D, Patrons and non-users participate in community-led Community Conversations, final report presented
3. Report of Upcoming continuing education opportunities for trustees:
  - a. Free "Short Takes for Trustees" videos through December 31, 2016
  - b. Wisconsin Public Library Association Conference, October 25-28, 2016, Potawatomi Casino & Hotel, Milwaukee, registration now open
  - c. November 3, 2016, at 6pm the Public Hearing for the City of Racine's 2017 budget will be held at City Hall
  - d. Public Library Association Conference, Philadelphia, March 20-24, **2018**

## Consent Agenda

The Financial Statement was pulled for separate consideration. It was moved by Mr. Qawi and seconded by Ms. Johnson to approve the Financial Statement. Motion carried.

It was moved by Ms. Johnson and seconded by Mr. O'Hagan that the following items be approved:

1. Minutes of the September 15, 2016 board meeting
2. Vouchers and credit card purchases from previous two months
3. Personnel Report:
  1. Termination PT:
    - a. Elena Bartzen
4. Dashboard Report for the past two months

Motion carried.

Items for the Next Agenda

1. Road Map update
2. Report from Library Trustees Dinner
3. Report from the Wisconsin Library Association
4. Bookmobile update
5. Update on cable TV project

Next regular meeting date is November 17, 2016 at 4:30 PM.

Having no further business to conduct, Mr. O'Hagan moved to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 4:45 PM. The RPL Foundation Board will meet at 5:00 PM to hear the presentation from Library Strategies.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica MacPhail  
Recording Secretary