

Western Sullivan Public Library

Approved Minutes of the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Delaware Free Branch January 14, 2019

Members present: Marge Brown, Kevin McDonough, Evan Eisenberg, Amber Novikov, Chris Peacock, Linda Pomes, Pam Reinhardt, Sui-Ling Ruiz, Barbara Winfield (arrived at 5:08)

Staff Present: Audra Everett

Call to Order

At 5:00 pm, the regular monthly meeting was called to order by President Kevin McDonough with the Pledge to the Flag.

Public Comment Period

No public comment

Approval of Minutes

Marge Brown moved and Sui-Ling Ruiz seconded, the approval of December 10 minutes. Unanimously carried.

Financial Report

On a motion by Chris Peacock, seconded by Evan Eisenberg,, the payment of bills was unanimously approved.

The financial report was unanimously approved on a motion by Pam Reinhardt, seconded by Marge Brown.

Directors Report (see attached)

New Business

- a. A motion to authorize the library to use the new IRS business mileage rate of \$0.58 per mile (an increase of 3.5 cents) was made by Marge Brown, seconded by Barbara Winfield and unanimously approved.
- b. Small Library Smart Spaces Grant no vote needed
- c. Tax Cap Override: Whereas, the adoption of the 2019-2020 budget for the Western Sullivan Public Library may require a tax levy increase that exceeds the tax cap imposed by state law as outlined in General Municipal Law Section 3-c adopted in 2011; and Whereas, General Municipal Law Section 3-c expressly permits the library board to override the tax levy limit by a resolution approved by a vote of sixty percent of qualified board members; now therefore be it resolved that the Board of Trustees of the Western Sullivan Public Library voted and approved to exceed the tax levy for 2019-2020 by at least the sixty percent of the Board of Trustees as required by state law on January



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14, 2019. Resolution by Sui-Ling Ruiz, seconded by Pam Reinhardt. Marge Brown abstained. All others approved.

d. The Budget Information Meeting date is scheduled for April 15th at 4:30 prior to the April 15th regular meeting on a motion by Chris Peacock, seconded by Evan Eisenberg and unanimously carried.

Unfinished Business

- a. Preliminary Budget discussed, will vote in February
- b. Audit of Buildings still waiting for responses
- c. Personnel Policy meeting on 1/29 to finalize personnel policy
- d. By e-mail vote on December 20, the board unanimously resolved to approve the final payment to DJS Plumbing and Heating in the amount of \$8,643.75 for the completion of the installation of the new heating system at the Delaware Free Branch. Sui-Ling Ruiz made the resolution, Evan Eisenberg seconded.

Committee Reports

Building: will be meeting soon

Personnel:

Donations: 1 donation received

Finance:

By Laws: meeting

FOL Liaison: Friends meeting on January 15

Executive:

Correspondence – none

Adjournment

On a motion by Marge Brown, seconded by Barbara Winfield, the meeting was adjourned at 5:53 by a unanimous vote.

Linda Pomes Secretary