



Western Sullivan Public Library

Approved Minutes of the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Video Conference due to COVID-19 Pandemic January 11, 2021

Members present: Marge Brown, Evan Eisenberg, Kevin McDonough, Amber Novikov, Chris Peacock, Linda Pomes, Pam Reinhardt, Barbara Winfield

Staff Present: Audra Everett

Call to Order

At 5:34 pm, the regular monthly meeting was called to order by President Chris Peacock.

Adoption of Agenda

Marge Brown moved and Barbara Winfield seconded, the approval of agenda. Unanimously carried.

Marge Brown Linda Pomes
Evan Eisenberg Pam Reinhardt
Kevin McDonough Barbara Winfield
Amber Novikov

Public Comment Period

Francis Cape

Approval of Minutes

Pam Reinhardt moved and Amber Novikov seconded, the approval of December 14, 2020 minutes. Unanimously carried.

Marge Brown Linda Pomes
Evan Eisenberg Pam Reinhardt
Kevin McDonough Barbara Winfield
Amber Novikov

Financial Reports

a. On a motion by Barbara Winfield, seconded by Pam Reinhardt, the Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved.

Marge Brown Linda Pomes
Evan Eisenberg Pam Reinhardt
Kevin McDonough Barbara Winfield
Amber Novikov

b. On a motion by Linda Pomes, seconded by Kevin McDonough, the monthly financial report through January 10th was unanimously approved.

Marge Brown Linda Pomes
Evan Eisenberg Pam Reinhardt
Kevin McDonough Barbara Winfield
Amber Novikov



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c. Kevin McDonough moved, Barbara Winfield seconded, the payment of bills for December through January 10th. Unanimously approved

Marge Brown Linda Pomes
Evan Eisenberg Pam Reinhardt
Kevin McDonough Barbara Winfield
Amber Novikov

Directors Report (see attached)

New Business

a. Resolution #14 2020-2021 Whereas, the adoption of the 2021-2022 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 2020-2022 by at least the sixty percent of the Board of Trustees as required by state law on January 11, 2021. Pam moved, and Kevin McDonough seconded, unanimously carried.

Marge Brown Linda Pomes
Evan Eisenberg Pam Reinhardt
Kevin McDonough Barbara Winfield
Amber Novikov

b. Motion by Marge Brown, seconded by Barbara Winfield to appoint Leeann Bruetsch as part time Library Page at \$12.50 per hour as of December 23, 2020. Unanimously carried.

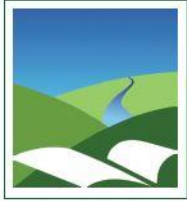
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c. A motion to authorize the library to use the IRS 2021 standard mileage rate of 56 cents per mile was made by Linda Pomes, seconded by Pam Reinhardt and unanimously approved.

Marge Brown Linda Pomes
Evan Eisenberg Pam Reinhardt
Kevin McDonough Barbara Winfield
Amber Novikov

d. Pandemic Continuation of Operation Plan was reviewed and approved as per New York State by April 1, 2021. Motion by Kevin McDonough, seconded by Linda Pomes, unanimously carried.

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e. The Budget Information Session is April 13, 2021 at 5pm. Budget Vote is April 21, 2021 per motion by Pan Reinhardt, second by Barbara Winfield. Unanimously carried.

Marge Brown Linda Pomes
Evan Eisenberg Pam Reinhardt
Kevin McDonough Barbara Winfield
Amber Novikov

Old Business

Update on Strategic Plan
Preliminary discussion of budget, no action taken

Committee Reports

Building: setting up meeting by next week
Personnel:
Donations: 5 donations totally \$1,240.07
Finance: see old business
By Laws: continuing work on policies
Nominating:
FOL Liaison: meeting soon
Executive:

Dates to Remember

- a. on -line newsletter
- b. trainings

Correspondence

none

Adjournment

On a motion by Marge Brown, seconded by Evan Eisenberg, the meeting was adjourned at 6:21 by a unanimous vote.

Marge Brown Linda Pomes
Evan Eisenberg Pam Reinhardt
Kevin McDonough
Amber Novikov

Linda Pomes
Secretary