



Western Sullivan Public Library

Regular Board Meeting

January 08, 2024

Delaware Free Branch, 5:30pm

Approved Minutes

Members Present: Pam Reinhardt, Evan Eisenberg, Francis Cape, Kevin McDonough, Amber Novikov, Phyllis Haynes, and Linda Pomes.

Absent: Sue Bodenstein

Zoom: Barbara Winfield

Staff Present: Audra Everett, Director.

Call to Order: At 5:41 p.m. due to technical difficulties, the meeting was called to order by President Linda Pomes with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Adoption of Agenda: On a motion by Kevin McDonough and seconded by Francis Cape, the agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

Approval of Meeting Minutes: On a motion by Pam Reinhardt and seconded by Evan Eisenberg, the December 11, 2023, meeting minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

Financial Reports:

- a. On a motion by Phyllis Haynes and seconded by Amber Novikov, the monthly Treasurer's Report was approved by unanimous consent.
- b. On a motion by Pam Reinhardt and seconded by Barbara Winfield, the monthly Financial Reports through January 07, 2024, were approved by unanimous consent.



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- c. On a motion by Kevin McDonough and seconded by Amber Novikov, the payment of bills through January 07, 2024, were approved by unanimous consent.

New Business:

- a. On a Resolution # 6 the adoption of the 2024-2025 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-3c 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 the 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 2024-2025 by at least the sixty percent of the Board of Trustees as required by state law on 1/08/2024, this was approved by unanimous consent.
- b. On a motion by Pam Reinhardt and seconded by Evan Eisenberg, the donation of \$10,000.00 in memory of Sally Segar for technology and other future endeavors at the Jeffersonville Branch, was accepted and approved by unanimous consent.
- c. On a motion by Barbara Winfield and seconded by Kevin McDonough, the date for the budget information meeting was set for April 08, 2024, at 5:00 pm at the Callicoon branch. The Library Budget Vote and Trustee Election date



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was set for April 17, 2024, and was approved by unanimous consent.

- d. On a motion by Amber Novikov and seconded by Francis Cape, the IRS mileage rate for 2024 is \$0.67 per mile from \$0.655 per mile in 2023 and was approved by unanimous consent.

Old Business:

- a. On a motion by Kevin McDonough and seconded by Phyllis Haynes, a motion was made to go out to bid for the Delaware HVAC project and the Delaware Restorations and approved by unanimous consent.
- b. On a motion made by Pamela Reinhardt and seconded by Barbara Winfield the date for the bid opening for The Delaware HVAC project and Delaware Restorations was set for February 28, 2024, at 4 pm at the Jeffersonville branch, and was approved by unanimous consent.
- c. On a motion by Francis Cape and seconded by Phyllis Haynes, the disaster plan/situation manual update was approved by unanimous consent.

Committee Reports

- Building
- Personnel
- Donations
- Finance
- Bylaws
- Nominating



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Adjournment: On a motion made by Kevin McDonough and seconded by Evan Eisenberg, the board voted by unanimous consent to adjourn the meeting at 6:14pm.

Next Meeting: Monday February 12, 2024, Jeffersonville Branch.

Amber Novikov
Secretary