

Fremont Public Library District
Regular Monthly Board Meeting
December 17, 2015

1.0 Call to Order

President McCue called to order the regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the Board of Library Trustees for the Fremont Public Library District at 6:02 p.m. on Thursday December 17, 2015.

2.0 Roll Call

Trustees Present: Sarah Armstrong, Steve Hoenig, Carol Mallquist, Tim McCue, and Jenny Ross

Also Present: Scott Davis, Director; Becky Ingram, Assistant Director; Susan Kruse, Recording Secretary

Absent: Ken Erickson and Marla Wolf

3.0 Approve Agenda

Trustee Mallquist made a motion to approve the agenda for the Fremont Public Library monthly board meeting dated November 19, 2015 seconded by Trustee McCue. The motion passed.

4.0 Concerns of the Public – No Public

5.0 Correspondence

1. Village of Mundelein 2015 TIF Joint Review meeting is being held January 11, 2016.
2. Illinois Library Association – 26th annual Presidents Day Legislative Breakfast is being held Monday February 15, 2016 at the Arboretum Club.
3. The Illinois Fund announced effective 2/16/16 it will be changing its custodial bank to Illinois National Bank.

6.0 Secretary's Report

6.1 Trustee Hoenig made a motion to approve minutes of regular monthly Board meeting of November 19, 2015, seconded by Trustee Armstrong. The motion passed.

6.2 Trustee Hoenig made a motion to approve the Closed Session of November 19, 2015, seconded by Trustee Mallquist. The motion passed.

6.3 The Trustees reviewed the minutes and recordings of all closed sessions that have not yet been released for public review, for determination of which minutes, if any, may be released. Trustee McCue made a motion to open closed minutes of 6/16/2015, 6/18/2015 and 11/12/2015 and the destruction of verbatim recordings of closed session of 5/7/2014, 5/15/2014 and 6/19/2014, seconded by Trustee Hoenig. The motion passed.

7.0 Finance/Treasurer's Report

7.1 Trustee Mallquist presented the Finance Report for October 2015 for review.

7.2 Trustee Mallquist made a motion to approve Lists of Checks for December 2015 and to authorize the payment of bills and salaries, and to make transfers, seconded by Trustee Hoenig. Some discussion took place. Roll was called and the motion passed.

Yes: Armstrong, Mallquist, McCue, Ross, and Hoenig

8.0 Policy/Planning

8.1 Trustee Armstrong made a motion to approve revised policy on Other Types of Leave, seconded by Trustee Hoenig. Discussion took place concerning Jury Duty Benefits Policy. Director Davis removed wording that sounded like restrictions and limits on days served. The motion passed.

8.2 The Trustees reviewed proposed changes on the Miscellaneous Benefits Policy. Direct Davis recommends that the policy be updated to reflect benefits that are no longer offered and to provide paid membership to ILA and ALA for all full-time professional staff.

9.0 Personnel - None

10.0 Physical Facilities

The renovation of the Youth Services Dept. will start on January 4 with the completion date scheduled for the second week in February.

11.0 Board President's Report

11.1 President McCue appointed new Trustee Wolf to the Finance and Personnel committees, and Trustee Hoenig was appointed to chair the Finance committee.

11.2 Discussion took place regarding funding options for possible future interior renovations of the shell space. Preliminary architectural plans drawn up last year, it would take approximately \$3 million to build out that space. Funding could be sought by submitting a referendum for voter approval for either a building bond or operational fund increase. Other funding alternatives include using Special Reserve Funds accrued through savings, issuing a debt certificate to be paid back out of operational funds, or staging a capital campaign to seek out donations and available grants, perhaps with the aid of a professional fundraising consultant. More discussion on this subject will be on the agenda for January.

12.0 Library Director's Report

Director Davis reported that Governor Rauner has signed a bill to release some "pass-through" funds (funds from non-general revenue sources), some of which are earmarked for libraries. However, this does not guarantee that the money will be filtered down to the public library per capita grant.

12.1 Trustee McCue made a motion to approve the Per Capita Grant application, seconded by Trustee Armstrong. The motion passed.

13.0 Adjournment

Trustee McCue made a motion to adjourn at 7:31 p.m. seconded by Trustee Ross. The motion passed.

Approved 01-21-16

/s/Steve Hoenig, Secretary

FPLD Board of Library Trustees