

Berwyn Public Library Board Meeting Minutes
February 17, 2015 Regular Meeting
Library Board Meeting, Riverside Drive and Harlem Ave

Call to Order:

President Jerry Pohlen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Board Members in attendance included: Maria Salinas, Augie Kalal, John Chrastka, Jousef Mondragon, Jill Bambenek, and Erika Corona-Owens. Cindy Hayes was absent. Interim Library Director Marilyn Boria also was present.
Absent: Alderman Nona Chapman.

Agenda:

On a motion by Chrastka, seconded by Mondragon, the Board approved the agenda as presented.

Minutes:

On a motion by Chrastka, seconded by Mondragon, the Board approved the minutes from the January 19, 2015 meeting, Open Session. The Board also approved the minutes of the January 28th Director Search Committee meeting.

Open Forum: Mary Peranteau, President of the Friends of the Library, reported that the Friends are looking for a Vice President and new Board Members. Additionally, the group will host an event at the library on April 19, at 2 p.m. for Friends of the Library members only.

Directors Report:

Interim Director Boria reported that the Library E-Rate situation is still under review but will be resolved by June 2015. Boria then presented the Illinois Public Library Annual Report for Board consideration. On a motion by Chrastka and seconded by Mondragon, the Board approved submitting this document to the Illinois State Library after it has been signed by the President and Secretary.

Finance Committee: On a motion by Salinas, seconded by Corona-Owens, the Board by unanimous roll call vote approved the January 2015 payables and payroll in the amount of \$167,497.86.

The board fund balance as of January 31 is: \$110,407.39.

Brokerage Account balance:

2nd Quarter \$247,417.05

3rd Quarter : \$247,457.33

4th Quarter: \$247, 465.24

Building and Grounds Committee: Chrastka reported that StudioGC had submitted a proposal just prior to the start of the meeting for architectural services for the construction project to reinforce the 2nd floor. Trustee Chrastka asked for additional time to meet with StudioGC staff to discuss the details before the Board decides whether or not to accept the proposal.

Policy/Personnel Committee: On a motion by Salinas, seconded by Chrastka, the Board approved the increase in hours for employee Jasmine Brown from 20 to 24 hours per week.

Veverka Committee: Committee members agreed that the Library must develop a new strategic plan before considering whether or not to hire a grant writer.

Technology Committee: Did not meet

Strategic Planning: Did not meet

Closed Session:

Bambenek moved, seconded by Chrastka, that the Board convenes in Executive Session under ILCS 5 120/2(C) (1) to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance matters or dismissal of an employee.

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| Bambenek | Aye |
| Chrastka | Aye |
| Corona-Owens | Aye |
| Kalal | Aye |
| Mondragon | Aye |
| Pohlen | Aye |
| Salinas | Aye |

Motion carried and the Board convened in Executive Session at 7:58 p.m.

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 8:46 p.m.

Adjournment:

On a motion by Chrastka, seconded by Mondragon, the meeting was adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

Next meeting: March 16, 2015