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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES August 19, 2025

1) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Board President Jason Fichtel on Tuesday, August 19, 2025 at the Westmont Public Library.

2) Roll Call

Present: Secretary Heather Booth, Vice President Elaine Carmichael, Trustee Melissa Donoghue, Trustee Beth Krotiak, Treasurer O'Connor, Trustee Joanne O'Malley, and President Jason Fichtel

Absent:

Staff present: Director Julia Coen, Assistant Director Colleen Seisser, and Administrative Assistant Michelle Mahlan **Also Present:** Village Finance Director Allen Altic

3) Pledge of Allegiance

4) Approval of Consent Agenda

- b) Minutes of the regular board meeting on July 15, 2025
- c) Minutes of the finance committee meeting July 15, 2025
- d) Communications log for July 2025
- e) Director's report August 2025

Motion: Booth moved to approve the Consent Agenda, Carmichael seconded.

Discussion: Coen noted that approval of the minutes from the special finance committee meeting on August 11, 2025 will be included on the September 15, 2025 agenda.

Vote: All in favor Motion passed

5) Open Forum:

- a. Public: None
- **b.** Board: Carmichael mentioned that the Chamber open house is on September 17.
- **c. Director**: Coen noted that she is working on the Finance Committee deliverables for the next meeting on September 15.
- **d. Staff:** Seisser noted that we are launching a patron verification process for our online library card applications using PatronPoint. We are also going to update our WIFI printing software for patrons to make it a more seamless experience.

6) Additions and Deletions to Bills and Vendors

Motion: Donoghue moved to include Additions and Deletions to Bills and Vendors, Krotiak seconded.

Discussion: None **Vote**: All in favor

Motion passed

7) Treasurer's Reports

Motion: O'Connor moved to file the Treasurer's Report for audit, Krotiak seconded.

Discussion: None **Vote**: All in favor **Motion passed**

8) Bills and Vendors

Motion: Booth moved to approve Bills and Vendors Report, O'Malley seconded.

Discussion: None

Vote:

Ayes: Booth, Carmichael, Donoghue, Krotiak, O'Connor, O'Malley, and Fichtel - 7

Nays: none

Motion passed

9) Unfinished Business: None

10) New Business

a. Board to consider a motion to approve the destruction of the executive session recording from January 16, 2024

Motion: Krotiak moved to approve the destruction of the executive session recording from January 16, 2024,

Booth seconded.

Discussion: Coen noted that the destruction of recordings is routine housekeeping.

Vote:

Ayes: Booth, Carmichael, Donoghue, Krotiak, O'Connor, O'Malley, and Fichtel - 7

Nays: none

Motion passed

b. Board to consider a motion to suspend patron meeting room reservations February 27, 2026 - March 18, 2026 during the early voting and Election Day.

Motion: Donoghue moved to suspend patron meeting room reservations February 27, 2026 - March 18, 2026 during the early voting and Election Day, O'Malley seconded.

Discussion: Coen noted that the Election Commission will be using our community meeting room during the primary elections.

Vote:

Ayes: Booth, Carmichael, Donoghue, Krotiak, O'Connor, O'Malley, and Fichtel - 7

Nays: none

Motion passed

11) Adjournment

Motion: Carmichael moved to adjourn at 7:09 p.m., Donoghue seconded.

Discussion: None Vote: All in favor Motion passed

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Booth

Westmont Public Library Board of Trustees, Secretary