Quincy Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting June 13, 2023 Minutes

The regular meeting of the Quincy Public Library Foundation Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:01 p.m. on Tuesday, June 13, 2023. Trustees present: President, Dean LaVelle, Cheryl Predmore, Jonathan Hoover, Angela Ketteman, Dr. Harry Ruth, Megan Duesterhaus-AuBuchon. Others present: Executive Director, Kathleen Helsabeck and Jess Givens.

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Megan moved to approve the consent agenda for the meeting and Angela seconded. The motion carried.

II. FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY COMMENTS

Gerri Grawe informed that board that FOL enjoyed the June Luncheon in the Children's Theater and thanked the library for the space. FOL will also be partnering with the Library for Juneteenth this year and will be giving away books during the event. Their new board will be doing a procedure manual, and it will be ready to present to their executive board at their next meeting.

III. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dean informed the board that a house bill was passed to protect the library systems that bans the banning of books, making Illinois the only state to do this.

IV. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Kathleen introduced Bridget Quinlivan, our new YA Librarian, Eric Brandhorst, our new Reference Librarian Team Lead, and Elivia Edge, our new part time Children's Clerk. We are currently still hiring for School Outreach and will be hiring a part-time maintenance technician. Additionally, Amanda Griesbaum is no longer employed at the library. Kathleen informed the board that Summer Read Kick-off was a huge success and thanked the board and the Friends of the Library for volunteering. This year we had 1,857 patrons in the building for the event by 2:41 p.m.

Kathleen also discussed how the auction was also a great success this year raising \$11,289.39. Kathleen let the board know about the closing of The Living Room at Horizons. Dean requested for the board to be kept in the loop on if this begins to affect the library, and if any changes will need to be made in order to maintain the extra regular attendance from their usual attendees.

V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A Form of Motion for the Nominating Committee was presented to the board. The committee recommended the following slate of officers:

President Dean LaVelle Vice President Clairice Hetzler Secretary/Treasurer Angela Ketteman

All other board members agreed to retain their seats and all committees will remain the same. The slate of officers will be approved at the July annual meeting.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A Form of Motion for Non-Resident Fee to remain at the rate of \$80 was presented to the board. Jon moved that the amount should change to \$65 and Megan seconded. The board agreed that the annual amount can be lower for the new FY 23/24. The roll call vote results were as follows:

Dean	yes	Angela	yes
Cheryl	yes	Harry	yes
Megan	yes	Megan	yes
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Expenditure Approval List for May 26, 2023

Cheryl motioned to approve the Expenditure Approval List for May 26, 2023, in the total amount of \$46,747.11 and Megan seconded. The roll call vote results were as follows:

Dean	yes	Angela	yes
Cheryl	yes	Harry	yes
Megan	yes	Megan	yes
Jonathan	yes	_	-

VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Gerri Grawe of the Friends of the Library informed the board that the event with the public speaker from Chicago last week had a great attendance and was very much enjoyed by the public. Gerri also belongs to the Renaissance Club and Banned Book Club, which all are also seeing increased attendance recently.

Harry moved to adjourn the regular session and to go into executive session for the purpose of discussing the finalization of the recently negotiated union contract. Angela seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 6:54, in which the executive session began. A roll call vote regarding the new contract was held with the following results:

Dean	yes	Angela	yes
Cheryl	yes	Harry	yes
Megan	yes	Megan	yes
Jonathan	yes		

The motion carried with 7 yes votes, 0 no votes, and 2 absent.

There being no further discussion, Harry moved to adjourn the executive session at 7:06 p.m. and Cheryl seconded.