



BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY
MINUTES, REGULAR MEETING
June 19, 2017

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order by President Frank Pisano at 7:30 p.m.

Library Board present: Sheila Brice, Frank Pisano, Bob Tera, Dave Underdown, James Suhay, Ashley Aidenbaum.

Absent and excused: Student Representative Siena Capone

Library Staff present: Doug Koschik, Library Director; Rebekah Craft, Associate Director and Paul Gillin, Administrative Assistant.

Friends of the Library Liaison: Pam DeWeese.

Bloomfield Hills Liaison: Michael Dul.

Members of the public: Melissa Mark; Mary, Mike, and Mark Juras.

Pisano asked Brice to read aloud the Library's mission statement.

2. Consent Agenda

Motion: To approve the consent agenda.

1st Tera

2nd Brice

A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Pisano, Brice, Tera, Aidenbaum, Suhay and Underdown.

Nays: None.

Absent and excused: None.

The motion was approved unanimously.

Board Reports and Special Announcements: Pisano offered members of the Juras Family the opportunity to speak. Mr. and Mrs. Juras mentioned how fond they are of the Library, its staff, and its collection. Pisano expressed praise and appreciation for Director Koschik, Associate Director Craft, and the staff of the Library. Next, he thanked Joe Valentine, Mark Gerber, Bruce Johnson, Mike Morad, Birmingham City Commissioners, The Dailey Company, LDA, LZG, David Bloom, and the Building Committee for their help and support throughout the renovation process. Pisano noted that Joe Wolf has resigned as Treasurer of the Friends after serving in that capacity for many years, and expressed appreciation for Wolf's service. Pisano recognized employees celebrating anniversaries: Debra Gantz (15 years), Dan O'Brien (16 years), and Donna Smith (14 years). Brice expressed her appreciation for the concert that took place after the June 11 ribbon cutting. Suhay stated he was pleased by the comments about the renovation



that the public wrote on the flip chart set up for that purpose, and Underdown said he looks forward to the Idea Lab coming on line later this summer.

Craft highlighted the Library’s upcoming events. The complete list is on page 74 of the June Board packet.

3. Board Committee Reports

Finance Committee: Tera reported that the Finance Committee met on Monday, June 12, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. Koschik provided an update on the FY 2016-2017 budget, which continues to track well. A complete report of the Finance Committee meeting can be found on pages 14-16 of the June Board packet. The following motion was submitted in order to cover the costs of the renovation project with revenue from the Library’s fund balance.

Motion: To approve appropriations and amendments to the fiscal year 2016-2017 budget as follows:

Revenues:

Draw from Fund Balance		
271-000.000-391.0000 (Fund Balance)		\$1,300,000
Total Revenue Adjustments		\$1,300,000

Expenditures:

Baldwin Public Library		
271-790.000-977.0000 (Building Improvements)		\$1,300,000
Total Expenditure Adjustments		\$1,300,000

- 1st Tera
- 2nd Underdown

Yeas: Pisano, Brice, Tera, Aidenbaum, Suhay and Underdown.

Nays: None.

Absent and excused: None.

The motion was approved unanimously.

The next meeting of the Finance Committee will be on Thursday, July 13, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.

Building Committee: Suhay reported that the Building Committee met on Wednesday, June 7, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. He highlighted a few of the items from the complete minutes, which can be found on pages 17-21 of the June Board packet.

The next meeting of the Building Committee will be Wednesday, July 12, 2017 at 4:30 p.m.

4. Library Report and Renovation Update: Koschik and Craft presented highlights from the Library Report, on pages 23–46 of the June Board packet. Koschik mentioned the huge success of the recent Everyone’s Reading program, which featured David Maraniss’ book *Once in a Great City*. Koschik described how the Birmingham Citizens Academy came to include the Baldwin Library on its curriculum. Participants in the Citizens Academy visited Baldwin on Thursday evening, June 8. Koschik expressed



appreciation to the Eick Family for their donation for flowers for the planters in front of the Library. They have been doing this for several years.

Craft discussed the recent kickoff meeting for the redesign of the Baldwin website. The Summer Reading Program had a successful kickoff on June 16. Adult Services librarian Steve Remenapp developed a scavenger hunt for patrons, which they can take using their personal electronic devices. It leads them on a search through the Adult Services Department.

5. Liaisons

Friends of the Library: Pam DeWeese reported that the Friends are thrilled with the renovation and that book sales are up with the launch of their new space across from the Circulation Desk. Jennifer Peterson is the new Treasurer of the Friends. The Friends Board is taking a summer hiatus and will meet again on September 12. The Friends now number more than 400 members.

Beverly Hills: There was no report.

Bloomfield Hills: There was no report.

6. Unfinished Business: There was no unfinished business.

7. New and Miscellaneous Business: None.

8. Items Removed from the Consent Agenda: No items were removed.

9. Information Only: See pages 48-74 of the June Board packet.

10. Adjournment

Motion: To adjourn the meeting.

1st Brice

2nd Aidenbaum

Yeas: Pisano, Brice, Tera, Aidenbaum, Suhay and Underdown.

Nays: None.

Absent and excused: None.

The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 p.m. The next regular meeting will take place on Monday, July 17, 2017 at 7:30 p.m.

Bob Tera, Secretary

Date