



**BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY MINUTES,
REGULAR MEETING
November 18, 2024**

Call to Order and Roll Call:

The meeting was called to order by President Karen Rock at 7:30 p.m.

Library Board present: Wendy Friedman, Melissa Mark, Frank Pisano, Karen Rock, Danielle Rumble, and Student Representative Kate Walter.

Absent and excused: Jennifer Wheeler.

Library Staff present: Rebekah Craft, Director; Jaclyn Miller, Associate Director; Robert Stratton, Office Administrator.

Friends of the Library liaison present: Ryndee Carney.

Contract community representatives present: None.

Members of the public present: Two.

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance following establishment of quorum.

Mark read aloud the Library's Mission Statement.

1. General Public Comment Period:

A member of the public distributed article titled "The Staggering Toll of Building Collisions" and highlighted bird collision data. They emphasized the role of artificial light in disturbing migrations.

2. Consent Agenda:

Motion to approve the consent agenda.

A. Approval of October 21, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes

B. Approval of October 2024 vendor payments in the amount of \$495,116.59, including payments in excess of \$75,000.

C. Approval of total expenses in the amount of \$559,851.75

1st Pisano

2nd Mark

A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Friedman, Mark, Pisano, Rock, Rumble.

Nays: None.

Absent and excused: Wheeler.

The motion was approved unanimously.

3. Election of Officers for 2024-2025:

Rock called for nominations for the election of officers for 2024-2025.

Motion to elect Danielle Rumble as President:

A voice vote was taken after Rock nominated Rumble for President.

Yeas: Friedman, Mark, Pisano, Rock, Rumble.

Nays: None.

Absent and excused: Wheeler.

The motion was approved unanimously.

Motion to elect Melissa Mark as Vice President:

A voice vote was taken after Rumble nominated Mark for Vice President.

Yeas: Friedman, Mark, Pisano, Rock, Rumble.

Nays: None.

Absent and excused: Wheeler.

The motion was approved unanimously.

Motion to elect Jennifer Wheeler as Secretary:

A voice vote was taken after Mark nominated Wheeler for Secretary.

Yeas: Friedman, Mark, Pisano, Rock, Rumble.

Nays: None.

Absent and excused: Wheeler.

The motion was approved unanimously.

4. Board Reports and Special Announcements:

President's report: Rumble thanked Youth Librarians Stephanie Klimmek and Alyssa Gudenburr for organizing the November 9 local author event, and thanked Craft & Miller for hosting the Beyond Basics winter coat and Toys for Tots collection drives.

Board comments: Mark reported that the Bibliophile Bonanza local author event was very enjoyable.

Staff Anniversaries: Rumble recognized the following staff anniversaries: Jen Adams (1 years of service), Lindsay Block (2 years), Josh Campeau (1 year), Lauren Clifford (5 years), Austin DeWalt (1 year), Susan Dion (19 years), Bart Gioia (17 years), Courtney Holland (3 years), Kanady Horn (2 years), Morgan Kosciuk (5 years), Becky Nelson (1 year), Cheyenne Nierhaus (5 years), Robert Stratton (5 years), and Michele Turner (2 years).

Upcoming events of interest: Miller reported upcoming events at the Library, full details of which are on pages 34-35 of the November Board packet.

5. Board Committee Reports

Finance Committee:

Rumble reported that the Finance Committee met on November 11. Present were Pisano, Rumble, Craft, and Miller. Full minutes from this meeting are on page 14 of the November Board packet. The next meeting of the Finance Committee will take place on Monday, December 9, 2024 at 4:00 p.m. in the Delos Board Room.

Building Committee:

Pisano reported that the Building Committee met on November 4. Present were Mark, Pisano, Craft, and Miller. Full minutes from this meeting are on pages 17 of the November Board packet. The next meeting of the Building Committee will take place on Monday, December 9, 2024 at 3:00 p.m. in the Jeanne Lloyd Room.

The new Teen Scene area should be finished by March 2025.

Outreach Committee:

Friedman reported that the Outreach Committee met on November 6. Present were Friedman, Mark, Craft, and Miller. Full minutes from this meeting are on pages 18 of the November Board packet. The next meeting of the Building Committee will take place on Tuesday, January 21, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. in the Director's Alcove.

Mark added that StoryPoint Senior Living in Birmingham invited her to meet their new events coordinator, who would like to coordinate with the Library. She also met a local author who donated seven of their books to the Library.

6. Library Report:

Craft and Miller presented highlights from the Library Report. Full details of the complete report are on pages 19-30 of the November Board packet.

Craft is currently reviewing the four bids received for website redesign.

7. Liaisons

Friends: Carney reported the Friends earned over \$2,200 during the October 4th Saturday sale. For two consecutive months, the Friends' Bookshop earned over \$1,600. The last Friends sale of the year is scheduled for Saturday, November 23.

Beverly Hills: There was no report.

Bloomfield Hills: There was no report.

Bingham Farms: There was no report.

8. New & Miscellaneous Business: None.

9. Unfinished Business: None.

10. Items Removed from Consent Agenda: None.

11. Information Only: See pages 33-63 of the November Board packet.

12. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

1st Mark

2nd Rock

A voice call vote was taken.

Yeas: Friedman, Mark, Pisano, Rock, Rumble.

Nays: None.

Absent and excused: Wheeler.

The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 16, 2024, at 7:30 p.m. in the Rotary & Donor Room.