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Regular Board Meeting Minutes
March 12, 2024

Ms. Riales, President, called the Bellwood Public Library Board of Trustees meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

Present:

Ms. Felicia Chase
Ms. Mary Clements
Pastor Horton
Ms. Maria Perez
Ms. Constance Riales
Mrs. Dorothy Smith
Mr. Reginald Stewart

Also in attendance: Library Director Amy Crump, Administrative Assistant Lili Savage and Library Attorney Dee Jarod. There was two community members.

Public Comment: None

A motion was made by Ms. Chase, seconded by Mr. Stewart to approve the meeting minutes for February 13, 2024.

A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: 7: Ms. Chase, Ms. Clements, Pastor Horton, Ms. Perez, Ms. Riales, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Stewart

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN: 0:

ABSENT: 0:

The motion passed.

Finance Committee Report:

Ms. Clements gave the finance report which included: Reports of Bills: #843, 843-A, & 843-B. The following reports of bills were submitted, copies of which are included as part of these minutes:

#843 (Bill List) in the amount of	\$	54,842.06
#843-A (Payroll) in the amount of	\$	74,153.08
#843-B (Checking) in the amount of	\$	0.00

TOTAL: \$ 128,995.14

A motion was made by Ms. Clements, seconded by Ms. Chase for approval of Bills-Reports #843, 843-A, & 843-B. The Treasurer's Report will be filed for audit.

A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: 7: Ms. Chase, Ms. Clements, Pastor Horton, Ms. Perez, Ms. Riales, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Stewart

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN: 0:

ABSENT: 0:

The motion passed.

Other Committee Reports:

- a. Administration Committee (Chairman: Trustee Clark-Smith)
 - i. No report.
- b. Building and Grounds Committee (Chairman: Trustee Chase)
 - i. No report.
- c. Finance Committee (Chairman: Treasurer Clements)
 - i. No report
- d. Planning and Development Committee (Chairman: Secretary Stewart)
 - i. No report.
- e. Public Relations and Legislation Committee (President Smith for Chairman: Trustee Perez)
 - i. No report.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

- a. The audit presentation was moved to the April Board Meeting.
- b. Trustee Stewart requested that we ask for a reduction in fees from the auditor due to the lateness of the report.
- c. It was decided not to move the April 9th meeting. All trustees are available.

Communication/Announcements: Trustee Smith suggested that Miss Sophia and Roscoe visit the schools.

Library Director Report: The report is posted on the Bellwood Public Library's web page.

Public Comment: A member of the public requested that library staff introduce speaker/presenters before the programs begin.

A motion was made by Ms. Smith, seconded by Ms. Perez that the board convene into Closed Session at 7:04 p.m. for:

a. For the purpose of discussion of appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1).

A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: 7: Ms. Chase, Ms. Clements, Pastor Horton, Ms. Perez, Ms. Riales, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Stewart

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN:0:

ABSENT: 0:

The motion passed.

A motion was made by Ms. Smith, seconded by Ms. Chase to reconvene to the regular session at 7:23 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: 7: Ms. Chase, Ms. Clements, Pastor Horton, Ms. Perez, Ms. Riales, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Stewart

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN:0:

ABSENT:0:

The motion passed.

Adjournment: Ms. Chase moved to adjourn the meeting, Ms. Clements seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m.

A roll call was taken.

AYES: 7: Ms. Chase, Ms. Clements, Pastor Horton, Ms. Perez, Ms. Riales, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Stewart

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN: 0:

ABSENT: 0:

The motion passed.

Reginald Stewart, Secretary