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Annual/ Regular
Remote Virtual Meeting
Meeting Minutes
May 11, 2021

Mrs. Smith, President, called the Bellwood Public Library Annual Organization Board meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Present:

Ms. Mary Clements
Ms. Deborah Giles
Ms. Maria Perez
Ms. Constance Riales
Mr. Reginald Stewart
Mrs. Dorothy Smith

Absent: Pastor Michael Horton

Also in attendance: Library Director, Amy Crump, Business Manager, Ashley Matthews, Administrative Assistant, Lili Savage, Library Attorney Dee Jarod and 7 members of the public.

Public Comment: None

Annual Organization Meeting of the Board:

Mr. Stewart swore in newly elected Trustees Mary Clements, 6-year term, 2027 and Maria Perez, 6-year term, 2027.

Election of Officers:

President:

A nomination was made by Ms. Riales, seconded by Mr. Stewart for Mrs. Smith to be the President. There were no other nominations.
A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: 6: Ms. Clements, Ms. Giles, Ms. Perez, Ms. Riales, Mr. Stewart, Mrs. Smith

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN:0:

ABSENT: 1: Pastor Horton

The motion passed.

Vice-President:

A nomination was made by Ms. Smith, seconded by Ms. Clements for Ms. Riales to be the Vice-President. There were no other nominations.

A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: 6: Ms. Clements, Ms. Giles, Ms. Perez, Ms. Riales, Mr. Stewart, Mrs. Smith

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN:0:

ABSENT: 1: Pastor Horton

The motion passed.

Secretary:

A nomination was made by Ms. Clements, seconded by Ms. Perez for Mr. Stewart to be the Secretary. There were no other nominations.

A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: 6: Ms. Clements, Ms. Giles, Ms. Perez, Ms. Riales, Mr. Stewart, Mrs. Smith

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN:0:

ABSENT: 1: Pastor Horton

The motion passed.

Treasurer:

A nomination was made by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Ms. Riales for Ms. Clements to be the Treasurer. There were no other nominations.

A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: 6: Ms. Clements, Ms. Giles, Ms. Perez, Ms. Riales, Mr. Stewart, Mrs. Smith

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN:0:

ABSENT: 1: Pastor Horton

The motion passed.

Committee Appointments:

The Board moved that the Committee Appointments be tabled until to the Regular Board Meeting.

A motion was made by Ms. Riales, seconded by Ms. Clements to adjourn the Annual Organization Board Meeting at 6:23 p.m.

A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: 6: Ms. Clements, Ms. Giles, Ms. Perez, Ms. Riales, Mr. Stewart, Mrs. Smith

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN:0:

ABSENT: 1: Pastor Horton

The motion passed.

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Bellwood Public Library was called to order at 6:49 p.m. by Mrs. Smith, President.
A roll call vote was taken.

Present:

Ms. Mary Clements
Ms. Deborah Giles
Ms. Maria Perez
Ms. Constance Riales
Mr. Reginald Stewart
Mrs. Dorothy Smith

Absent: Pastor Michael Horton

Also in attendance: Library Director, Amy Crump, Business Manager, Ashley Matthews, Administrative Assistant, Lili Savage, Library Attorney Dee Jarod and 9 members of the public.

Public Comment: Wanda Gipson presented three questions to the Trustees regarding the library budget and finances.

Unfinished Business: Representatives from Providence Bank made presentations and answered the Board of Trustees questions regarding investment/deposit of Library funds.

A motion was made by Mr. Stewart, seconded by Ms. Riales to approve investment/deposit of Library funds in excess of insured limit of \$250,000 into ICS accounts with Providence Bank.
A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: 6 Ms. Clements, Ms. Giles, Ms. Perez, Ms. Riales, Mr. Stewart, Mrs. Smith

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN:0:

ABSENT:1: Pastor Horton

The motion passed

Dan Ellonardo gave a status report on the HVAC Project.

New Business: Dan Pohrte and Tiffany Nash from Product + Architecture gave a presentation on the Library Renovation Plan.

A motion was made by Ms. Riales, seconded by Mr. Stewart to approve the Renovation Plan.
A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: 6 Ms. Clements, Ms. Giles, Ms. Perez, Ms. Riales, Mr. Stewart, Mrs. Smith

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN:0:

ABSENT:1: Pastor Horton

The motion passed

A motion was made by Ms. Riales, seconded by Mr. Stewart to approve the board meeting minutes for April 13, 2021.

A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: 6: Ms. Clements, Ms. Giles, Ms. Perez, Ms. Riales, Mr. Stewart, Mrs. Smith

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN: 0:

ABSENT: 1: Pastor Horton,

The motion passed.

Finance Committee Report:

Ms. Clements gave the finance report which included: Reports of Bills: #809, 809-A, & 809-B. The following reports of bills were submitted, copies of which are included as part of these minutes:

#809 (Bill List) in the amount of	\$ 246,799.66
#809-A (Payroll) in the amount of	\$ 80,062.89
#809-B (Checking) in the amount of	\$ 0.00
TOTAL:	\$ 326,862.55

A motion was made by Ms. Riales, seconded by Mr. Perez for approval of Bills-Reports #809, 809-A, 809-B. The Treasurer's Report will be filed for Audit.

A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: 6: Ms. Clements, Ms. Giles, Ms. Perez, Ms. Riales, Mr. Stewart, Mrs. Smith

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN: 0:

ABSENT: 1: Pastor Horton

The motion passed.

Other Committee Reports:

- A. Administrative Committee Report: NO REPORT
- B. Building and Grounds Committee: NO REPORT
- C. Finance Committee: NO REPORT
- D. Public Relations and Legislative Committee: NO REPORT
- E. Planning and Development Committee: NO REPORT
- F. RAILS Committee: NO REPORT

Communication/Announcements: None

Library Director Report: The report is posted on the Bellwood Public Library's web page. The library has purchased a new scanner for patrons. Director Crump has been elected to the ATLAS (Area Training for Library and Staff) board.

Public Comment: Wanda Gipson presented a question about program costs to the Trustees.

Board President Smith acknowledged public comments.

The Committee Appointments were tabled to the June 8, 2021 Board Meeting.

Adjournment: Ms. Riales moved to adjourn the meeting, Ms. Perez seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

A roll call was taken.

AYES: 6: Ms. Clements, Ms. Giles, Ms. Perez, Ms. Riales, Mr. Stewart, Mrs. Smith

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN:0:

ABSENT:1: Pastor Horton

The motion passed.

Reginald Stewart, Secretary