

TOMPKINS COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
DRAFT MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OCTOBER 25, 2016

TCPL Board Members Present: Bruce Ryan, President; Peter McCracken, Luca Maurer, Rochelle Proujansky, Don Trotter, Helena Maria Viramontes, Kenneth McClane, Kris Altucher, Jack Clark, Thompson Terry, Janet Corson-Rikert

Board Members Excused: Risa Mish, Cynthia Nicholson

Also Present: Susan Currie, Library director; Suzanne Smith Jablonski, Foundation Executive Director; Carrie Wheeler-Carmenatty; Library programming and outreach coordinator, Michelle Benjamin; Library business manager, Mary McKeon; admin asst.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

With a quorum now present, meeting convened at 3:31 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

APPROVAL OF AGENDA DOC 16-76

A **MOTION** was made by R. Proujansky and seconded by J. Clark to approve the agenda. Approved unanimously.

APPROVAL OF September 27, 2016 DRAFT MINUTES DOC 16-77

A **MOTION** was made by K. McClane and seconded by R. Proujansky to approve the minutes. Approved unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

I, Vice President, Kenneth McClane, in keeping with New York State Education Law, certify that I have reviewed payrolls #21 dated 10/13/16 and #22 dated 10/27/16 totaling \$97,858.88. I have reviewed all vouchers presented for payment, and that all disbursements are within the approved operating budget of the library, and therefore recommend that the Board of Trustees approve for payment of October 2016 bills in the amount of \$150,364.37 as listed in abstracts #30, #31, 28 and #32.

APPROVAL OF NOMINEE FOR BOARD

R. Proujansky recommended Martha Hardesty to serve as trustee for a three year-term. Approved unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BUSINESS MANAGER UPGRADE

The Finance & Personnel Committee recommended the upgrade of the Business Manager's position. Approved unanimously.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Currie provided a brief update on upcoming meetings with QPK and Sedgwick for planning the Teen Center, the 21st Century Lab, moving staff into the FLLS vacated space and carpet replacement. The carpet replacement could be disruptive and the library may close for a week for the major portions of the carpet replacement. We are working to get a schedule set. Currie will be attending the New York Library Association's (NYLA) annual conference in Saratoga Springs, NY November 2 – 5 for a meeting of NY Central Libraries and a NYLA Civil Service Task Force. We have three librarians presenting at NYLA this year: Kate DeVoe on a panel discussing STEAM programming, Regina DeMauro presenting on working with Teens and Jennifer Schlossberg on removing barriers to access to library services.

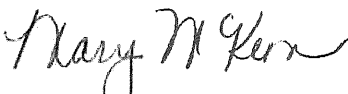
Currie reported on the Expanded Budget Committee meetings over the past few weeks where amendments for funding the Technology Librarian were discussed. There was a budget amendment for half of the funding. The final budget vote is November 15, 2016 in Legislative Chambers. Currie expressed appreciation of the Legislature's thoughtful and supportive discussion of the need for the position and for the budget amendment. PSA negotiations have begun with Cindy Nicholson as the Trustee representative. Meetings with the SSA will be scheduled to begin in early November. Currie announced that the Tompkins County Estate Planning Council gave generous donation to the TCPL Foundation in appreciation of the great customer service provided by Mary McKeon in using the BW Community Room.

LIAISON REPORTS

Friends—J. Clark thanked the board members for volunteering double shifts at the fall booksale. The sale exceeded its goal this year.

QUESTIONS ABOUT WRITTEN REPORTS

MOTION to adjourn by K. McClane and seconded by J. Corson Rikert at 3:57 Unanimously approved.



Recorded by Mary. McKeon
Admin. Asst.



Endorsed by Peter McCracken
Secretary