

**BARRINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT**  
**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

March 11, 2024, 7 PM  
Meeting Room A

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

President Carr called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

**II. ROLL CALL**

**Trustees Present:** Carr, Cunningham, Lucas, McGrath, Miller, Ordway, Prigge

**Trustees Absent:** None

A quorum is present.

**Staff Present:** Executive Director Jason Pinshower, D. Golding, J. Katsion, T. Nielsen, M. Nitz, L. Rosenthal, L. Stordahl

**Guests in attendance:**

B. Ben, T. Grabacki, J. Nichols

**III. AUDIENCE RECOGNITION AND PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public Comment was held. No one present wished to address the Board.

President Carr moved the Decennial Committee Meeting up to the top of the agenda and called the committee to order at 7:01 PM. Attendance was taken.

All Committee Members were present: Ben, Carr, Cunningham, Grabacki, Lucas, McGrath, Miller, Ordway, and Prigge which satisfied the quorum requirement.

Others present included staff and community members listed above.

The committee reviewed the final draft of the Decennial Committee Meeting Report focusing on section XII which included steps to take to increase our efficiency. There were no suggestions or revisions to the report as drafted.

Trustee Prigge moved to adjourn the final Decennial Committee Meeting at 7:05 PM.

Second: Treasurer Lucas

All voted aye. Motion Carried.

Treasurer Lucas, on behalf of the Decennial Committee, made a motion to approve the Barrington Area Library Decennial Committee Report as presented, and to authorize the Executive Director to submit the report to Cook, Kane, Lake, and McHenry Counties on the committee's behalf.

Second: Trustee Miller

Ayes: Ben, Carr, Cunningham, Grabacki, Lucas, McGrath, Miller, Ordway, Prigge

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

**Motion: CARRIED.**

After approving the report, Mr. Ben and Mr. Grabacki left the meeting.

President Carr moved the Winter Reading Presentation up on the agenda. Adult Services Librarian, Danielle Golding, and Youth Services Librarian, MaryJo Nitz, presented information and statistics on this year's hugely successful Winter Reading Program. After answering a few questions from the Board, Ms. Golding and Ms. Nitz left the meeting.

#### **IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Minutes were reviewed. Motion by Secretary Ordway to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 12, 2024 as presented.

Second: Trustee Prigge

Ayes: Carr, Cunningham, Lucas, McGrath, Miller, Ordway, Prigge

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

**Motion: CARRIED.**

The Policy Committee Minutes were reviewed. Motion by Trustee Cunningham to approve the Policy Committee Meeting Minutes of February 12, 2024 as presented.

Second: Vice President Miller

Ayes: Carr, Cunningham, Lucas, McGrath, Miller, Ordway, Prigge

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

**Motion: CARRIED.**

#### **V. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS/BUSINESS**

##### *President*

President Carr thanked the PEO sisterhood for their recent donation of \$50.00.

##### *Treasurer*

The monthly Treasurer's Report was reviewed. The beginning balance was \$13,069,001.95. Revenue received in February totaled \$693,889.34 with expenditures amounting to \$851,418.77; leaving an ending balance of \$12,911,472.52.

The Library's Finance Manager, Lauren Rosenthal, clarified information reported in the Sawyer Falduto Report, reassuring the Trustees that the Library is not losing any investment money. She noted that the numbers listed in the report represent what the library would lose if they sold the investments prematurely. The Library will hold those investments to maturity.

Treasurer Lucas moved to approve the Financial Report and Bills for Payment as presented.

Second: Trustee McGrath

Ayes: Carr, Cunningham, Lucas, McGrath, Miller, Ordway, Prigge

Nays: None

Absent: None  
Abstain: None  
**Motion: CARRIED.**

*Executive Director*

**Statistics:** February saw the highest number of library visits since the beginning of the pandemic, even higher than February 2019 and February 2020.

**IDOT Project:** The tree removal contractor is waiting on a state vegetation permit. They are hoping to get started this week. All tree cutting must be completed by March 31

**Programming News:** Fandom Fest, the Seed Library Launch, and the McHenry County Library Lovers Expedition were popular programs in February.

**VI. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES**

The Personnel Committee will meet on April 8, 2024 at 6 PM in Meeting Room A to discuss the salary line for fiscal year 2025.

**VII. OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

***Consideration of AVI Proposal***

The Library's IT Manager, Tom Nielsen, presented the AVI proposal for the Zimmerman Room technology update. Trustees asked questions pertaining to the cost of the system. Mr. Nielsen explained that it is the oldest equipment in the building and when items break, it is very difficult, if not impossible, to find replacement parts. The system being replaced was installed in 2008 and has outlived its typical life cycle of 10 years.

Motion by Trustee Prigge to approve the AVI proposal in an amount not to exceed \$179,904.00 and authorize the Executive Director to sign on the Board's behalf.

Second: Trustee Cunningham

Ayes: Carr, Cunningham, Lucas, McGrath, Miller, Ordway, Prigge  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None  
**Motion: CARRIED.**

**IX. GENERAL INFORMATION**

Trustees were reminded to get their Statement of Economic Interests filed with Lake County by the May 1, 2024 deadline. Filing receipts should be sent to Lisa Stordahl.

**X. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by President Carr to adjourn the meeting at 7:54 PM

Second: Vice President Miller.

All voted aye. **Motion carried.**

*/s/ Anne Ordway*

Secretary