

OSCEOLA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Minutes of Regular Meeting February 17, 2016

Members Present: Kelly McBride, Mike Salewski, Stephen Bjork, Drew Wellumson, Amy Erickson Hagen, Julie Galonska, Michele Merritt

Also Present: Sherry Hanson, Joel West, Diane Moser, Ann Marie Pueschner, Joel Schwochert

Members Absent: Marcia Dressel

- Bjork called meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.
- Approval of Agenda: It was suggested to move Discovery Center Update up on the agenda to just after Citizen's Comments. Erickson Hagen/Wellumson made motion to re-arrange order of agenda. Motion carried unanimously.
- Approval of January Minutes: Galonska noted that one zero was missing from donations dollar figure under Campaign Update. Salewski/Galonska made motion to approve amended minutes. Motion carried unanimously.
- Citizen's Comments: Sherry Hanson reported that Author Event was a success—good turn out. Diane Moser also reported. Moser talked about articles in The Sun highlighting library project and supporting library. Donations are up to 1.5 million. Despite shortfall in funding, she stated that momentum is building. Shirley Johnson is out talking to community and getting lots of good feedback and generating meaningful discussions.
- Discovery Center Update: Joel West reported. They are in the process of signing purchase agreements to clear out trailer park near Dairy Queen. The plan is to make Millpond Park bigger including building a pedestrian bridge. The new completion date for library project is November/December of 2017. They would like to start some site work by June or July of this year. In order to start building by September/October of this year campaign will need 4.5 million dollars. Discussion/questions followed focusing on financial shortfall...phasing, loans, cost-savings...
- Library Director's Report: McBride reported on extraordinary happenings at OPL!

- Monthly Financial Results: Salewski had some questions...still unclear about unemployment issue. McBride will arrange a meeting with Joel West to finally resolve issue. Galonska/Salewski make motion to approve financials. Motion carried unanimously.
- Audit and Approve Bills: Galonska/Erickson Hagen made motion to approve bills. Motion carried unanimously.
- Policy Review: Gifts policy: There were questions on the changed format and there needs to be a clearer understanding of the changes.
- Annual Report: Salewski inquired about the hypothetical situation of someone outside of IFLS wanting to check out something from the library—what would they be charged? Good question! McBride will find out by next meeting. Wellumson/Merritt made motion to approve annual report. Motion carried unanimously.
- Next meeting is March 16th, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.
- Bjork adjourned meeting at 7:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Merritt,
Library Board Secretary