

FREEPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
September 13, 2017 – 6:00 p.m.

A meeting of the Freeport Public Library Board of Trustees was held in the Library's Boardroom on September 13, 2017. President Jim Ferrar presided and called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Members Present: Jim Ferrar Jim Bielien
 Nita White Rebecca Quiggle
 Larry Pittsley
 Scott Haugh

Members Absent: Barb Green, Liz Gridley, Jennie DeVine

Also present were Director Carole Dickerson, Youth Services Supervisor Anna Doyle, and Adult Services Supervisor Laura Keyes.

Administrative Assistant Connie Hoffman acted as Recording Secretary.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Scott Haugh moved and Rebecca Quiggle seconded to approve the August 9, 2017 Board of Trustees meeting minutes, the August 9 Executive Session meeting minutes, and the August 17 Special Meeting minutes. The motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Scott Haugh moved and Jim Bielien seconded to accept the accompanying Financial Reports for August 2017. Motion carried. The snapshot budget for August was passed out to the board members.

STAFF REPORTS

Adult Services Supervisor Laura Keyes told the board that the current One Book, One Freeport committee is already reading titles for the 2019 One Book, One Freeport communitywide reading program. She reviewed the statistics page that is included in her report and told the board of her and Youth Services Anna Doyle's plans for Banned Books Week. Flyers for Banned Books week were passed out to the board members.

Youth Services Supervisor Anna Doyle passed out current copies of the Youth Services newsletters and described some of the Banned Books Week activities for children.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Non-Bargaining 2% COLA – Discussion and Action

Director Dickerson recommended to the board a 2% cost of living raise for the non-bargaining employees, which matches the raise other municipal non-bargaining employees in the city received. Scott Haugh moved and Jim Bielien seconded to increase the non-bargaining employees rate of pay by 2% retroactive to May 2017.

John Keister & Associates Recruitment Observations/Procedures/Recommendations –
Discussion and Action

Board President Jim Ferrar went over the minutes from the meeting held on August 17 with John Keister. The library board discussed the selection process and determined who would be interested on serving on the committee.

Administrative Committee: Did not meet.

Finance Committee: Did not meet.

Building and Grounds: Did not meet, but Director Dickerson gave an update on the café and informed them that Christina would be having a soft opening on Tuesday, September 5.

COMMUNICATIONS/BOARD COMMENTS

President Ferrar read a thank you card from one of the summer reading prize winners. It was addressed to the library director, who re-directed it to Youth Services Supervisor Anna Doyle.

Board member Rebecca Quiggle asked if the library was planning on participating in putting “In God We Trust” on the library facility like some of the other city and county buildings. Director Dickerson suggested that Ms. Quiggle contact the group who approached the city and ask for a similar presentation at an upcoming library board meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Connie Hoffman, Recording Secretary