

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

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

Members Present: Jim Ferrar Jim Bielien
 Liz Gridley Larry Pittsley
 Jennie DeVine Scott Haugh

Members Absent: Nita White, Rebecca Quiggle, Barb Green

Also present were Director Carole Dickerson, City of Freeport Human Resource Director Debra Milliman, Former board member Jill Collin, and John Keister of John Keister & Associates.

Administrative Supervisor Connie Hoffman acted as Recording Secretary.

Board President Jim Ferrar asked each person to introduce themselves.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Director Dickerson described a juvenile who has been suspended several times in the past to have his current suspension extended to six months. Scott Haugh made the motion and Liz Gridley seconded to extend his suspension for an additional six months. Motion carried. Director Dickerson also recommended two juvenile brothers who had previously been suspended for thirty days be extended to three months. Scott Haugh made the motion and Jennie DeVine seconded to suspend the two boys for an additional six months. Motion carried.

2018 Calendar of Meetings – Discussion and Action

A copy of the 2018 board meeting dates were passed out. Scott Haugh moved and Liz Gridley seconded to approve the meeting dates for 2018. Motion carried.

Promotion of Connie Hoffman

Director Dickerson announced the promotion of Administrative Assistant Connie Hoffman to Administrative Supervisor.

Board President acknowledged former board president Jill Collin who attended the board meeting as part of the selection committee for the new director.

EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, COMPENSATION, DISCIPLINE, PERFORMANCE, OR DIMISSAL OF A SPECIFIC EMPLOYEE OR LEGAL COUNSEL FOR THE PUBLIC BODY LAWFULLY CLOSED UNDER THE ILLINOIS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, WHETHER FOR PURPOSES OF APPROVAL BY THE BODY OF THE MINUTES OR SEMI-ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE MINUTES AS MANDATED BY SECTION 2.06 OF THE ILLINOIS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 2(c)(21) OF THE ILLINOIS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, CODIFIED AT 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21).

Scott Haugh moved and Jennie DeVine seconded a motion to go into executive session. The motion carried with a roll call vote.

John Keister gave suggestions on best interviewing processes and passed out some information that will help in the interviewing process. There was some discussion on the logistics of the interviewing day on Saturday, November 18 beginning at 8:00 a.m.

Building and Grounds Committee: Did not meet, but Administrative Supervisor Connie Hoffman told the board that after a meeting with both Mechanical and Freeport Industrial Roofing on Friday, November 3, the leak was identified. Today a proposal was given for the repair of the leak, and after giving her consent the leak will be repaired by the end of the week.

Scott Haugh moved and Jennie DeVine seconded adjournment at 6:46 p.m.

Submitted by Connie Hoffman