FREEPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
July 11, 2018 – 6:00 p.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER
A meeting of the Freeport Public Library Board of Trustees was held in the Library's Meeting Rooms on July 11, 2018. President Jim Ferrar presided and called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Members Present: Jim Bienlien Nita White
Larry Pittsley Rebecca Quiggle
Gwen Crow Sue Bukas
Jim Ferrar Jennie Devine
Nan McMurray

Members Absent: none

Also present were Executive Director Emily Klonicki, Circulation and Outreach Coordinator Geoff Graham, and Interim Head of Adult and Technical Services Heather Venetucci-Johnson and Library Attorney Michael Phillips.

Connie Hoffman acted as Recording Secretary.

II. CHANGES/CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA
Rebecca Quiggle and Jennie Devine seconded to accept the agenda as written. Motion carried.

III. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS - PUBLIC/MEDIA
Several members of the public gave or read comments concerning the “In God We Trust” motto that the board was voting on that evening. Executive Director Emily Klonicki stated that she received 36 letters or emails and received two phone calls. A petition was submitted with signatures numbering 207 names in opposition of the motto being placed on the building.

Members of the public who gave or read statements were:

Steve Carroll April Young
Barbara Vines Robert Vines
Jennifer Kanosky Rev. Hank Fairman
Judy Garkey Roger Schultz
Christina Fairman Teresa Wellman
Linda Johnson Dellura Pratt
Christine Ihde Vicki Petta
Art Stees Adam Moderow
Debbie Leininger Steve Cassell
Dan Misek          Sarah Masa-Meyers
Jody Coss          Ed Klein
Gail Sanders       Joseph Appell
Ed Maglietta       Deb Lischwe
Gary Diben         Molly Doolittle

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Rebecca Quiggle moved and Nan McMurray seconded to approve the regular minutes of the June 13, 2018 Board of Trustees meeting. Motion carried.

V. FINANCIAL REPORT
Nita White moved and Rebecca Quiggle seconded to accept the accompanying Financial Reports for June 2018. Motion carried.

VII. DIRECTOR’S REPORT
Executive Director Emily Klonicki went through several of the items in her written report which included the HVAC issues, the energy audit, the redesign of the website and the various personnel changes in the last month. She also told the board that she created an Annual Snapshot which is on the current website.

VII. MANAGEMENT REPORTS
Interim Head of Adult Service and Technical Services Heaether Venetucci-Johnson reported to the board of the recent success of the Walt Whitman Living History program.

Circulation and Outreach Coordinator Geoff Graham stated that his report stands as written.

VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS
A. Administrative Committee: No report
B. Finance Committee: No report
C. Building and Grounds Committee: Board Member Larry Pittsley read a letter addressed to the Momentum Art Guild answering their proposal to use the Gallery Café during library hours for the purpose of displaying art.

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Voting on the original motion made by Rebecca Quiggle and seconded by Jennie DeVine to display the motto on the library building. A roll call vote was taken.
Board member Larry Pittsley made a motion and was seconded by Nita White to have the Building and Grounds Committee explore the option of placing an educational plaque inside the library about the history of the National Motto. Motion carried unanimously.

X. NEW BUSINESS
XI. EXECUTIVE SESSION
XII. ACTION IN RESPECT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION
XIII. DISCUSSION
XV. ADJOURNMENT
Gwen Crow moved to adjourn and Jim Bienlien seconded. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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Submitted by Connie Hoffman