

FREEPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
January 11, 2017 – 6:00 p.m.

A meeting of the Freeport Public Library Board of Trustees was held in the Library's Boardroom on January 11, 2017. President Jill Collin presided and called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Members Present:     Jill Collin                     Barb Green  
                              Jim Bielien                     Jim Ferrar  
                              Larry Pittsley

Members Absent:     Scott Haugh, Luke Beggin

Also present were Adult Services Supervisor Laura Keyes, Youth Services Supervisor Anna Doyle, and Circulation and Outreach Coordinator Geoff Graham.

Administrative Assistant Connie Hoffman acted as Recording Secretary.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Jim Ferrar moved and Barb Green seconded to approve the November 9, 2016 Board of Trustees meeting minutes. The motion carried.

Barb Green moved and Jim Bielien seconded to approve the Special Meeting held on November 29, 2016 meeting minutes. The motion carried.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Barb Green moved and Jim Ferrar seconded to accept the accompanying Financial Reports. A copy of the budget snapshot was distributed. Motion carried.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

**Non-Bargaining Salaries – Discussion and Action**

Director Dickerson informed the board that the city council has approved a 1% COLA for all city non-bargaining staff and recommends the same 1% increase for the non-bargaining library staff. Jim Ferrar moved and Larry Pittsley seconded to approve the additional 1% COLA retroactive to May 1, 2016. The motion carried.

Director Dickerson told the board there are two prospective board members who will be contacting Mayor Gitz.

Copies of the request for proposal for the Gallery Café were distributed to all the board members. Discussion followed.

**LIBRARY BY-LAWS – DISCUSSION AND ACTION**

Board President Jill Collin along with the other members of the board discussed and proposed revisions to the bylaws.

**PRELIMINARY DISCUSSION OF FY18 BUDGET**

Director Dickerson handed out preliminary copies of the FY2018 Budget and fielded questions from board members. Board members Luke Beggin, Jill Collin and Jim Ferrar will be the Finance Committee that will be working on finalizing the budget figures to bring to the rest of the board.

**STAFF REPORTS**

Adult Services Supervisor Laura Keyes handed out copies of *Gloryland* to all the board members. She also thanked board members for attending the Press Conference held on January 10.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Administrative Committee: Did not meet.  
Finance Committee: Did not meet.  
Building and Grounds: Did not meet.

**COMMUNICATIONS/BOARD COMMENTS**

Board President Jill Collin reminded the board of the One Book, One Freeport Free Book Days of February 4 and February 11.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE DISCUSSION OF MINUTES OF MEETINGS 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).**

Larry Pittsley moved and Jim Bielen seconded a motion to go into executive session. The motion carried with a roll call vote.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

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Connie Hoffman, Recording Secretary