

Minutes of Butler Public Library Board Meeting - April 9, 2024
Minutes not formally accepted until next meeting on May 14, 2024
Meeting was called to order by president Charlene Benjamin at 6:00pm

1. Roll call

- Present: Charlene Benjamin, Michael Bates, Laura Meyer, Karl DeBelack, Robert L. Kraus, Genavieve Danes
- Absent: Liz Glaser
- Excused: Bob Gundrum
- Guests: Bruce Gay, Ben Hubrich, Carol Zuba

2. Persons Desiring to be Heard (3-minute limit per person)

n/a

3. Consideration of minutes from previous meeting(s)

Michael motion, Karl seconded, no discussion, motion passed unanimously.

4. Trustee Education

4.1. Guest Bruce Gay, Director Waukesha Public Library: Working with the Waukesha County Community Foundation

Discussed options of both WFFC (Bruce) and a money market (Ben) *as a means to expand the Library's revenue*. Will add agenda item to next month's agenda to call on money market item.

5. Communications

5.1. Annual Budget Guidance to Director [Goal #1: Resource & Goal #3: Community]

Viewed budget breakdown by category. *The Board did not suggest any changes.*

5.2. Director's Report – Questions?

Great turnout for tiny art show. Discussed issues regarding Hoopla updates and issues with fake accounts. We replaced PC1, which will be delivered on Friday (4/12). 156 attendees at birthday celebration.

5.3. Other communications

None

6. Consent Agenda Note: *Prior to voting on the Consent Agenda, items may be removed at the request of any Board Member and placed on the agenda under New Business.*

Robert motion, Laura seconded. No discussion. Unanimous.

6.1. Current Financial Report

6.2. Current Circulation and Use & Hoopla Costs [Goal #1: Resource]

6.3. Current Program & Activity Report [Goal #3: Community]

7. Unfinished Business

7.1. Discussion and possible approval of amended Allowable Costs Worksheet

Mike made motion, Karl seconded, no discussion, approved, motion carries.

8. New Business

8.1. The Board went into closed session at 6:55 p.m. under Wis. Statutes 19.85 (1)(c) to consider the employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation of any public employee. Motion to go into closed session by Michael Bates, seconded by Robert Kraus, motion carried unanimously.

The Board discussed the performance of Genavieve Danes, Director, on her 2023-2024 goals.

8.2 Motion to return to open session at 7:40 p.m. by Laura Meyer, seconded by Karl Debelack, motion carried unanimously.

8.3. Discussion and Possible Approval of Items from Closed Session

Laura made a motion *to approve Genavieve's past year's performance as highly satisfactory*, Karl seconded, no discussion, approved, motion carries.

9. Next meeting: May 14, 2024

10. Adjournment

Robert made motion, Mike seconded, no discussion, approved, motion carries.