

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BLOOMINGDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
JUNE 14, 2023**

ATTACHMENT A 07-12-2023

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Hoyle at 7:01 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Upon roll call, the following Trustees were present in person: Trustee Ashok Dhiman, Lauren Dixon, Ben Hoyle, Ken Johnson, and Natalie Valenti. Absent: Trustee Kory Atkinson and Sharon Karpel. Also Present: Director Timothy Jarzemsky

III. PUBLIC DISCUSSIONS

IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The June Board Meeting Agenda was reviewed. Trustee Valenti moved, and Trustee Dhiman seconded **the motion**, that the agenda of the June 14, 2023 Regular Library Board meeting be approved. The motion carried by voice vote.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the May Board meeting were reviewed. Trustee Dixon moved, and Trustee Valenti seconded **the motion**, that the minutes of the May 17, 2023 Regular Library Board meeting be approved. The motion carried by voice vote.

VI. TREASURER'S REPORT

The Board reviewed the Treasurer's Report. Trustee Johnson moved and Trustee Dixon seconded **the motion**, that the Board approve the payment of bills for the month of June 2023, in the amount of \$102,632 and the transfer of approximately \$300,000.00 for bills and salaries. The motion carried by roll call vote: AYES: Trustees Dhiman, Johnson, Hoyle, Valenti and Dixon. Absent: Trustees Kory and Karpel.

VII. REPORTS

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Director Jarzemsky reported on events that took place at the library during the month of May. In the library's 11th annual Free Comic Book Day celebration, we offered 475 free comics. 55 patrons of all ages stopped by the Makerspace to pick up free comics, make buttons, take pictures with comic related props, and get stickers cut on demand with the Cricut Maker. Keith's Komix in Schaumburg helped us place the comic book order. Director Jarzemsky thanked Jessica Frazier, Adult Services Assistant Department Head; Katie Yager, Teen Librarian; Heidi Knuth, Youth Services Assistant Department Head; and Winifred Wee, Administrative Assistant for all their hard work on the event. On May 15th, 16th, 18th & 30th, BPL hosted Celebrate Reading when 292 first grade students were given a presentation, behind- the-scenes tour, craft, book, button, pencil, and snack. Director Jarzemsky thanked Kandy Jones, School Liaison and all of Youth Services staff for their

VII. REPORTS (Continued)

hard work on this. Overall transactions are up for May, at both Adult and Youth desks. 190 children participated in the “Creepy Crawler Scavenger Hunt,” where they searched for large plastic 3-D bugs and insects, a total of 15 were placed around the YS area. Once participants locate all the bugs, they can come to the desk for a prize. The outdoor holds lockers now has a sun screen blocker with BPL logo on the front.

MONTHLY STATISTICS

Attachment D shows the activities for the month of May. Total circulation for the month of May was 21,330; this is a 6 % increase over May, 2022. This includes 1,475 items checked out by patrons from other libraries.

STANDING COMMITTEES

PERSONNEL – No report.

POLICY – In July, a sub-committee meeting will convene to discuss two policies; Computer Internet policy and Credit Card Use policy.

FINANCE – No report.

BUILDING AND GROUNDS – Director Jarzemsky gave a verbal update on the A/C unit.

LIAISON REPORTS

SWAN/RAILS – Attachment E is a report on MessageBee; a new patron notification service from SWAN, which will go live on Tuesday, June 27th.

VILLAGE – Trustee Valenti gave a verbal update.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY – No report.

BIG – Next BIG meeting will be July 27th at noon hosted by the Chamber at the Pan American Bank & Trust.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

REVIEW BOARD COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

This was tabled until next month when all trustees are present.

IX. NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

APPROVAL TO CLOSE ON 9/29/23 FOR 2023 STAFF IN-SERVICE DAY

Our theme is “Bloomingdale by the Numbers.” We are currently working on lunch options, morning and afternoon programs, and staff activities. The In-Service programming will enhance our staff’s ability to fulfill our Mission Statement, Customer Service Standards, and Long Range Plan. We are also planning the Employee Milestone Award Ceremony. All members of the Board are welcome to join us. A detailed agenda/schedule will be provided in the coming months.

We are requesting the Board of Trustees to authorize the library to close on Friday, September 29th. Trustee Dixon moved and Trustee Valenti seconded **the motion**, that the Board approve the closing of Friday, September 29th for the Staff In-Service Day. The motion carried by roll call vote: AYES: Trustees Dhiman, Johnson, Hoyle, Valenti and Dixon. Absent: Trustees Kory and Karpel.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE-HOUSE BILL 2789

On May 3rd, the IL Senate passed House Bill 2789 to amend the IL Library System Act in order to protect the freedom of public libraries and library systems to acquire materials without outside limitations and protect against attempts to ban or restrict library materials. To be eligible for state grants, this bill requires a public library or library system to develop a written policy prohibiting the practice of banning books within the public library or library system. Libraries may also adopt a policy in agreement with the American Library Association’s Library Bill of Rights. This bill sets a nationwide precedent that supports the fight against book banning. Secretary of State Alexi Giannoulias initiated the bill as one of his first priorities in office. The bill is now awaiting Governor JB Pritzker’s signature, and it is expected that he will sign it. If signed into law, HB2789 would take effect on 1/1/24. If the bill becomes law, the IL State Library will develop administrative rules that will guide libraries on how they can comply. Once these rules are developed, libraries will have an opportunity to provide feedback before the rules are finalized.

PER CAPITA GRANT AWARD LETTER

Bloomingdale Public Library was awarded a FY 2023 Illinois Public Library Per Capita Grant in the amount of \$33,013.45. This is calculated by multiplying our 2020 census population of 22,382 by the current grant funding rate of \$1.475 per person. Director Jarzemsky mentioned that this award letter is simply letting us know what the grant amount will be. The actual check has not been received.

ILLINOIS LIBRARY ASSOCIATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE-OCTOBER 24-26 SPRINGFIELD, IL

Director Jarzemsky invited the Board to Trustee Day at ILA. ILA is taking place this year in Springfield from October 24-26th. The Board is invited to attend Trustee Day.

IX. NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

BPL NIGHT @ SCHAUMBRUG BOOMERS 8/9- FREE TICKETS FOR SUMMER READING

As part of the Library's Summer Reading Program, the Schaumburg Boomers baseball team is hosting a Bloomingdale Public Library Night. In 2022, BPL had the highest attendance for any library for our night.

APPROVAL TO MOVE THE DATE OF THE AUGUST 9TH BOARD MEETING

Based on the conversation regarding the Boomers BPL night, Trustee Dixon moved and Trustee Valenti seconded **the motion**, that the Board move the August board meeting date from Wednesday, August 9th to Wednesday, August 16th. The motion carried by roll call vote: AYES: Trustees Dhiman, Johnson, Hoyle, Valenti and Dixon. Absent: Trustees Kory and Karpel.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Summer Concert & Ice Cream Social Flyer- Attachment L is a flyer about the upcoming events at BPL; the Board is invited to attend. BPL has a Warhol dragonfly display in the Take5 Zone and dragonfly coloring sheets available for patrons.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Trustee Valenti moved and Trustee Dixon seconded **the motion** to adjourn the June 14, 2023 Library Board meeting at 7:55 p.m. The motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Minutes approved by:

Secretary

President

Date: _____
(Minutes recorded by Jamie Schingoethe)