

Golden Prairie Public Library District
Board of Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, April 17, 2024
5:00pm

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order
President Anderson called the regular meeting to order at 4:58 pm.
- II. Roll Call
Trustees Present: Ruth Novosad, Jim Russell, Stephen Peterson, Patti Salch, Kathy Vroman, Stephanie Walden, Ary Anderson

Others Present: Nan Goerlitz, Jeanne Hamilton, Kathy Jeakins, Colleen Shaw, Jon Whited

Absent: none
- III. Introductions
There were no introductions.
- IV. Public Comments
There were no public comments.
- V. Special Presentation: Library Outreach and Techmobile
Colleen Shaw presented an overview of the type of vehicle being considered for the Techmobile, along with the specifications and program plans. Jon Whited covered the plans for using the vehicle for IT programming and services offsite.
- VI. President's Report
There was no report.
- VII. Approval of Minutes
A. March 20, 2024
The minutes were approved as presented.
- VIII. Staff Reports
A. Director's Report: Jeanne Hamilton shared that construction continues to move along. The parking lot was supposed to have the final layers of asphalt applied on Monday, but unfortunately the equipment at the asphalt plant broke down on Sunday night. The Library will try to reschedule for next Monday. The hope is that the entire building will be open to the public by June. The plan is to do a soft opening over the summer, and on August 1st there will be a ceremonial ribbon cutting. There will be an end-of-summer celebration on August 3rd with various kid-friendly activities, demonstrations of the Innovation Lab equipment, and tours throughout the day.

Jeanne highlighted the new donor wall installed near the elevator on the first floor, along with the room signs for rooms sponsored by various organizations and individuals.

Jim Russell asked about the solar project status. Jeanne stated that the Library was approved through the Illinois Solar for All Program. Panels will be installed on a majority of the main roof, and the energy generated is estimated to serve 20-30% of the Library's building energy.

B. Outreach Report: This report was covered during the Special Presentation.

C. Financial Report: Kathy Jeakins stated that the report is in the packet.

IX. Unfinished Business

A. Discuss 9-Month CD (expiring 6/27/24) and Potential Capital Project Donations

Stephen Peterson will investigate CD rates to discuss at the June meeting. There was some discussion about donating money to support the Techmobile. While there was general excitement for the Techmobile, the consensus was to wait until more information is available before committing to a donation.

B. Strategic Planning – Developing Goals

Kathy Vroman led a discussion of the mid-level goals that she and Jim Russell assembled from last month's discussion. For the June meeting, Board members are asked to bring any additional initiatives they would like included.

X. New Business

There was no new business.

XI. Comments from Board Trustees

Ruth Novosad said she checked if the county had added back the land parcels from the recent case. It looks like the records have not been finalized, so the consensus was to wait until those records are posted online. Patti Salch mentioned she read one of the books for the Bloomington Reads program, and she is getting ready for the Summer Reading Program. Jim Russell enjoyed reading the profiles for each Bookmobile driver on the Library's Facebook page.

XII. Reminder

A. File Your Economic Statement of Interest

B. Next Board Meeting is June 19, 2024

XIII. Adjournment

Ary Anderson adjourned the meeting at 6:17 pm.