

Golden Prairie Public Library District  
Board of Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, August 17, 2022  
5:00 p.m.

**MINUTES**

- I. Call to Order  
President Novosad called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.
- II. Roll Call  
Trustees Physically Present: Ary Anderson, Stephen Peterson, Jim Russell, Patti Salch, Kathy Vroman, Stephanie Walden, Ruth Novosad  
  
Others Physically Present: Amy Dunham, Jeanne Hamilton  
  
Others Present via Zoom: Kathy Jeakins
- III. Introductions  
There were no introductions.
- IV. Public Comments  
There were no public comments.
- V. President's Report  
Ruth shared that the GPPLD received two thank you notes from the Bloomington Public Library. One for the donation of \$85,115.19 for the library expansion and the other for the donation to the 2023 Summer Reading Program.
- VI. Approval of Minutes  
A. July 20, 2022:  
Hearing no objections, the minutes were approved as distributed.
- VII. Staff Reports  
A. Circulation and Outreach Report and Director's Report: Jeanne Hamilton, Library Director, shared that the Bookmobile and Driver Caitlin will attend the Arrowsmith & Ellsworth Labor Day events. When event attendees answer a quick survey about the Bookmobile stops, they will receive a GPPLD tote bag with the Bookmobile Schedule and a cut-out craft. Jeanne provided an update on the library expansion construction timeline and moving a portion of the library collection to storage.  
  
B. Financial Report: Kathy Jeakins, Business Manager, provided the reports in the Board packet. There is minimal activity during the first few months of the fiscal year. The \$85,115.19 in funds from the matured CD that was earmarked for Capital Improvements is listed in the July Received column and was donated to the Bloomington Public Library in the July Spent column. This transaction was handled as a bank transfer.
- VIII. New Business  
A. Adopt Tax Levy Ordinance 22-02

STEPHANIE WALDEN MOVED, STEPHEN PETERSON SECONDED, TO APPROVE AND ACCEPT THE ORDINANCE 22-02 LEVYING AND ASSESSING TAX FOR GOLDEN PRAIRIE PUBLIC LIBRARY

DISTRICT OF THE COUNTY OF MCLEAN, STATE OF ILLINOIS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING THE FIRST DAY OF JULY 2022 AND ENDING THE THIRTIETH DAY OF JUNE 2023.

YAYS:           ARY ANDERSON, STEPHEN PETERSON, JIM RUSSELL, PATTI SALCH,  
                  KATHY VROMAN, STEPHANIE WALDEN, RUTH NOVOSAD

NAYS:           NONE

ABSENT:        NONE

THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

IX. Old Business

A. Update on Annexation – Ruth Novosad

Jeanne and Ruth met with Attorney Robert Porter to discuss the legal aspects of the annexation issue. Jeanne worked with Heyworth Library to determine what townships they serve. Discussion was held on the different ways the annexation could be handled. Consensus of the Board was that Ruth and Jeanne continue to work with Robert Porter and Ruth will report back at the September meeting.

B. Marketing/User Data Discussion – Jim Russell

Jim shared that Jeanne provided additional information regarding cardholder statistics. GPPLD is lower than other library districts. Jeanne suggested that cardholders are a good metric, but GPPLD should compare the statistics against itself and not against other libraries' statistics, listing some ways the other libraries' statistics could be inflated. Discussion was held about marketing to our residents. Discussion was held about the impact COVID and construction may have on the statistics. Discussion was held about updating the Strategic Plan. Jeanne shared information about Home Delivery for GPPLD residents. Jeanne also shared information about hotspots that included signage, offering to place them on hold, and having one non-holdable hotspot added to the Bookmobile.

X. Comments from Board Trustees

Patti shared the historical documents obtained from former GPPLD Board Member, Adrienne Ives. Files were given to Amy for Records Retention purposes.

XI. Reminder

Next Board Meeting is September 21, 2022.

XII. Adjournment

President Novosad adjourned the meeting at 6:22 p.m.