

The Board of Library Trustees, Lakewood, Ohio Thursday, January 18, 2024

The Board of Library Trustees of the Lakewood Public Library, City of Lakewood, County of Cuyahoga, State of Ohio, met in regular session in the Board Room of the Main Library, 15425 Detroit Avenue, Lakewood, OH on Thursday, January 18, 2024 at 7:00 P.M.

Members present: Mrs. Nancy Seibert, Mrs. Persis Sosiak, Mr. Gregory Gipson, Mr. Michael Artbauer, Mr. Jeffrey Endress, and Mr. Scott Kermode.

Members excused: Mrs. April Hoy.

Also present: Mayor Meghan George, City of Lakewood, Mr. James Crawford, and Mr. William Costello, Jr., CPA.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Mr. Endress, seconded by Mr. Artbauer, to approve the Agenda for January 18, 2024.

Yeas: Mrs. Seibert, Mrs. Sosiak, Mr. Artbauer, Mr. Kermode, Mr. Gipson, and Mr. Endress.

Abstained: None.

Nays: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS**

Mayor Meghan George attended the Lakewood Public Library Board of Trustees' meeting. Mayor George informed the Board of the current activities of the City Administration. The Board of Trustees expressed their appreciation for the ongoing partnership with the City of Lakewood.

Mr. Crawford discussed communications from a patron with questions about a series of books shelved in the young adult collection at the Madison Branch Library.

Mr. Crawford discussed holiday greetings to the staff of the Madison Branch Library from its neighbor, NOICA, formerly the Turkish Cultural Center.

### **DISPOSITION OF MINUTES**

Motion by Mr. Kermode, seconded by Mr. Gipson, approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of December 14, 2023.

Yeas: Mrs. Seibert, Mrs. Sosiak, Mr. Gipson, Mr. Kermode, and Mr. Endress.

Abstained: Mr. Artbauer.

Nays: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

### **OPERATIONS REPORT**

Mr. Kermode asked about the Main Library roof and the Madison Branch Library plumbing. Mr. Crawford and Ms. Fisher relayed that there are no major issues at either location except for minor maintenance issues.

### **FINANCIAL REPORT AND BILLS**

No report.

### **REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES**

#### **Business Management and Finance**

No report.

#### **Building and Supplies**

No report.

#### **Collections and Gifts**

Motion by Mr. Endress, seconded by Mr. Artbauer, to accept and gratefully acknowledge gifts received:

#### Lakewood Public Library Gifts Received:

12/07/2023	- \$	50.00	Madison Branch Free Thinkers AA
12/11/2023	- \$	6,500.00	James and Alice Mecredy Charitable Trust
12/12/2023	- \$	5,000.00	Janice Cano in Memory of Christine Cano
12/26/2023	- \$	375.00	Madison Branch Westside Agnostic AA
12/26/2023	- \$	120.00	Madison Branch Journey Home AA

Lakewood Public Library Foundation Received:

12/08/2023	- \$	150.00	Gregory Smith
12/08/2023	- \$	50.00	Charlton Beilstein
12/19/2023	- \$	100.00	Laura and Richard Little
12/20/2023	- \$	200.00	Ann and Thomas Lukens
12/20/2023	- \$	125.00	Joanne Rassie
12/22/2023	- \$	100.00	John Pyke
12/22/2023	- \$	250.00	Jeffrey and Tina Endress
12/22/2023	- \$	200.00	Timothy and Patricia Laskey
12/22/2023	- \$	10.00	Scott and Shirley Kaib
12/22/2023	- \$	50.00	Ann Beyer
12/22/2023	- \$	100.00	Jean Brinich and Martin Langlois
12/26/2023	- \$	250.00	Teresa Andreani
12/28/2023	- \$	40.00	David Burleigh
12/31/2023	- \$	50.00	Carl Henderson
12/31/2023	- \$	75.00	Joseph Schleckman

Lakewood Public Library Friends Gifts Received:

12/11/2023	- \$	250.00	Jack and Anne Huxtable Palomaki Charitable Fund
12/22/2023	- \$	30.00	David Kachadourian

Yeas: Mrs. Seibert, Mrs. Sosiak, Mr. Artbauer, Mr. Gipson, Mr. Kermode, and Mr. Endress.

Abstained: None.

Nays: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

**Personnel**

Motion by Mrs. Seibert, seconded by Mr. Gipson, to acknowledge personnel changes

Appointments:

None.

Resignations/Retirements/Separations/Terminations:

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Yeas: Mrs. Seibert, Mrs. Sosiak, Mr. Artbauer, Mr. Gipson, Mr. Kermodé, and Mr. Endress.

Abstained: None.

Nays: None.

The President declared the motion carried.

#### **REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES**

##### **Audit Committee**

No report.

##### **Public Comments**

No comments.

##### **OLD BUSINESS**

No report.

##### **NEW BUSINESS**

Standing Committee Appointments by Board President:

Business Management and Finance Committee  
Mr. Gipson, Chair  
Mrs. Hoy, Member

Building and Supplies Committee  
Mr. Artbauer, Chair  
Mrs. Seibert, Member  
Mr. Endress, Member

Collections and Gifts Committee  
Mr. Endress, Chair  
Mrs. Hoy, Member

Personnel Committee  
Mrs. Seibert, Chair  
Mr. Kermodé, Member  
Mr. Gipson, Member

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Audit Committee (Committee of the Whole)  
Mr. Kermode, Chair  
Mr. Artbauer, Member

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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President

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Secretary

Next Scheduled Meeting

Thursday, March 14, 2024

7:00 P.M.

