

Indian Prairie Public Library
Board of Trustees Minutes
Regular Meeting of January 18, 2023

**Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
January 18, 2023 – 6:45 p.m.**

A. Roll Call

Vice-President Damon called the meeting to order at 6:46 p.m. Secretary Megaridis called the roll.

Present: Donald Damon, Marian Krupicka, Crystal Megaridis, Themis Raftis, Sri Rao, Christina Rodriguez

Absent: Victoria Suriano

Staff Present: Laura Birmingham, Kristen Lawson, Maria Wlosinski

Others: none

Vice-President Damon asked for additions and/or corrections to the agenda. There were none.

B. Mission Statement: Secretary Megaridis read the library mission statement. We enrich people's lives by providing opportunities to explore, connect, and be inspired.

Vision Statement: Secretary Megaridis read the library vision statement. Lives are enriched and dreams are realized.

Values Statement: Secretary Megaridis read the library values statement. We value and Respect the individual. We empower and guide each visitor. We aspire to bring people together.

C. Public Comment - none

D. Communications and Announcements

1. The Gift of Carl Foundation to Birmingham re: Write On
2. Birmingham to Stava-Murray re: Congratulations
3. Stava-Murray to Birmingham re: Tour
4. Birmingham to Raoul re: Congratulations
5. Arman to Birmingham re: Tour
6. Anonymous to IPPL re: Thank You
7. Egan to Birmingham re: Per Capita Grant

E. Omnibus Consent Agenda

1. Minutes of Truth in Taxation Hearing and Regular Board Meeting, November 16, 2022
2. Action on Bills/Additional Bills – November and December
3. Delete Executive Session tape from January 20, 2021
4. Determination to Dispose of Personal Property

Rodriguez moved, Rao seconded to approve the Omnibus Consent Agenda. Ayes: Damon, Krupicka, Megaridis, Raftis, Rao, Rodriguez. Nays: none. Absent: Suriano. Motion carried unanimously.

F. Items Deleted from Omnibus Consent Agenda - none

G. Library Director's Report

Birmingham noted that Lawson's first report as Deputy Director is in the packet. One of Lawson's roles will be managing the internal side of technology. The Head of Technology & Maker Services will continue to manage the public side.

H. Department Reports

I. Staff Report

Kristen Lawson, Deputy Director, introduced herself to the Board and gave a brief background of her 16 years working in public libraries. She's delighted to be here and looking forward to being part of the IPPL team.

J. Reports

1. Treasurer's Report – November and December - backup in packet.
2. RAILS – backup in packet.
3. Building and Grounds Committee – no report
4. Finance Committee – no report
5. Planning/Outreach Committee – Backup is in the packet relative to our presentation at the November 14th Willowbrook meeting.
6. Policy Committee – Damon reported that the committee met on January 17 to review library policies. There are minor changes that will be brought to the February Board meeting.

K. Unfinished Business - none

L. New Business

1. Land Acknowledgement – Birmingham received a request from a patron regarding creating a land acknowledgement for Indian Prairie. Information on the process and examples are included in the packet. Birmingham noted that the library has the historical information available and would just need to partner with local Native organizations. The Board agreed that it would be great to start a conversation and collaboration with our Native groups and organizations.
2. Advocacy – The Trustees discussed attending the City of Darien Council Meeting on either March 6th or 20th. Birmingham will check with Suriano on her availability.
3. Close the Library May 5 for Staff Institute Day – Rao moved, Rodriguez seconded to close the library May 5 for Staff Institute Day. Ayes: Damon, Krupicka, Megaridis, Raftis, Rao, Rodriguez. Nays: none. Absent: Suriano. Motion carried unanimously.

M. At 7:24 p.m. Megaridis moved, Krupicka seconded to go into Closed Session as allowed by 5ILCS, Act 120/2 (c) (21) Discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act, whether for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as mandated by Section 2.06 of the Open Meetings Act. Roll call vote. Ayes: Damon, Krupicka, Megaridis, Raftis, Rao, Rodriguez. Nays: None. Absent: Suriano. Motion carried unanimously.

N. Return to Open Session

At 7:28 p.m. Rao moved, Megaridis seconded to go back into open session. Roll call vote.

Ayes: Damon, Krupicka, Megaridis, Raftis, Rao, Rodriguez. Nays: none. Absent: Suriano.

Motion carried unanimously.

1. Closed Session Minutes, 1/19/22 and 8/17/22 - Rao moved, Raftis seconded to approve the closed session minutes dated 1/19/22 and 8/17/22 . Ayes: Damon, Krupicka, Megaridis, Raftis, Rao, Rodriguez. Nays: none. Absent: Suriano. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Open or Close All Closed Session Minutes – Krupicka moved, Megaridis seconded to keep all closed session minutes closed. Ayes: Damon, Krupicka, Megaridis, Raftis, Rao, Rodriguez. Nays: none. Absent: Suriano. Motion carried unanimously.

O. Meetings

P. Adjournment

At 7:30 p.m. Raftis moved, Rao seconded to adjourn the meeting. Ayes: Damon, Krupicka,

Megaridis, Raftis, Rao, Rodriguez. Nays: none. Absent: Suriano. Motion carried

unanimously.

Crystal Megaridis, Secretary