

**Whiting Public Library
Regular Board Meeting
February 13, 2024**

Board Members Present:

Walter Wachel, President
Ashley Sudar, Vice President
Amy Holmes, Treasurer
Brittani Baker, Board Member
Lynn Haynes, Board Member

Board Members Absent:

Mary Lu Cowley, Secretary
Rachel Wajvoda, Board Member

Guests:

Others:

Montserrat Inglada, Director
Mary Kershner, Assistant Director
Laura Lopez, Recording Secretary

Public:

A notice of the Regular Board Meeting was faxed to the Times and the Post-Tribune on February 1, 2024. The notice was also posted at the Oliver Street and Ohio Avenue entrances on February 8, 2024.

Mr. Wachel, President, called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting – January 9, 2024

Ms. Sudar moved:

THAT the minutes of the January 9, 2024 Regular Board Meeting be approved as submitted.

SECONDED by: Mrs. Haynes

ACTION: Carried Unanimously

Report from Board President

None

Director's Report

√ Upon review, all expenditures were approved for January 13, 2024 - February 15, 2024.

√ Mr. Curosh has advised that there would be no problem with Mary Lu serving another term on the library board.

√ Donna Cafferatta at Centier Bank stated the Money Market accounts that they are proposing have no minimum balances to maintain nor monthly fees.

Building Renovation Update

√ It is possible that renovation may impede this year's Summer Reading Program.

√ We met with Gisela from Studio GC on 2/9/24. She explained the plan they designed will be cut into two phases to make it more cost-effective.

Memberships, American Library Association

Mrs. Holmes moved:

THAT the Board approve reimbursement for memberships to Adrienne DeLuna and Christina Hammermeister.

SECONDED by: Mrs. Haynes

ACTION: Carried Unanimously

Resolution to Establish Non-Resident Fee

The 2024 Non-Resident Fee is based on the 2023 per capita operating cost.

Ms. Sudar moved:

THAT the Board approve the new non-resident fee in the amount of \$253.77 per individual, effective February 13, 2024.

SECONDED by: Mrs. Baker

ACTION: Carried Unanimously

Internal Controls, Annual Review

The Board reviewed the internal controls.

Mrs. Haynes moved:

THAT the Board approve the Internal Controls as written.

SECONDED by: Mrs. Baker

ACTION: Carried Unanimously

2024 ILF Regional Conference

Mrs. Haynes moved:

THAT the Board approve the library be closed in order for staff to attend the ILF Regional Conference held in South Bend, Indiana on May 3, 2024.

SECONDED by: Mrs. Baker

ACTION: Carried Unanimously

Contract for Educational Program, City of Whiting

Mrs. Holmes moved:

THAT the library approve the contract for Educational Program with the City of Whiting, in the amount of \$5,000.00.

SECONDED by: Ms. Sudar

ACTION: Carried Unanimously

Public Comments

None

Adjournment

Mrs. Holmes moved:

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

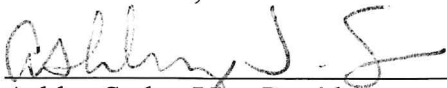
SECONDED by: Mrs. Haynes

ACTION: Meeting Adjourned 6:38 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,
Laura Lopez

Reviewed by: Mary Lu Cowley, Board Secretary

Brittani Baker, Board Member



Lynn Haynes, Board Member

Rachel Wajvoda, Board Member