MINUTES OF THE FOSSIL RIDGE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING SEPTEMBER 18, 2023

CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

President Bauter called the meeting to order at 6:24 pm. It began late due to the longevity of the Decennial Committee Meeting that preceded it. Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

ROLL CALL

Trustees Present: LuAnn Bolatto, Teri Jones, Danell Morrison, Kathleen Price, Alvin Stockdale, Susan Trimby and Sandra Bauter.

CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

Trustee Day needs to be added to the announcements

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Stockdale and seconded by Jones to accept the Consent Agenda of the Approval of the August 28, 2023 Board of Trustee Minutes and the Payment of the Bills. Motion carried by roll call. All ayes, no nays.

CORRESPONDENCE AND PUBLIC COMMENT

President Bauter attended the Meet and Greet Breakfast held by Illinois Representatives Joyce and Delucia in Manhattan. There were about 40 people in attendance.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer Jones presented a written Treasurer's Report (attached). The report will be filed.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Leyva presented a written Director's Report (attached). Additional items discussed were that Trustees must read for the Per Capita Grant the book Serving Our Public 4.0: Standards for Illinois Public Libraries. Some libraries have been getting non-credible bomb threats. RAILS Director Monica Harris sent an e-mail to all the libraries letting them know they are working with ILA on what, if anything, should be done. Teri Jones noted that she wants to keep the Richard Ashley plaque where it currently is behind the Front Desk.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – none

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Motion made by Stockdale to accept Resolution 2023-03 Determination of the Estimate of Funds Needed. Seconded by Bolatto. Motion carried by roll call. All ayes. No nays.
- Motion made by Stockdale to approve the Illinois Freedom of Information Act for Fiscal Year 2023. Seconded by Jones. Motion carried by roll call. All ayes. No nays.
- c. Board of Trustees went over Public Act 97 0609 Total Compensation Discloser Fiscal Year 2023 that must be published on the Fossil Ridge website.
- d. Motion made by Stockdale to accept the Whistle Blower Policy as presented. Seconded by Jones. Motion carried by roll call. Ayes: Bolotto, Jones, Morrison, Price, Stockdale, Trimby and Bauter. Nays: none.

OTHER BUSINESS - none

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a. Decennial Committee Meeting Monday, October 16, 2023, at 5:30 pm.
- b. Regular Board Meeting Monday, October 16, 2023, at 6:00 pm.

PUBLIC AND TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Secretary

Trustee Bolatto wanted to know if we had funds or plans to finish the south-end landscaping. Director Leyva said the remaining Special Reserve will be kept in the high-yield savings account to gain as much interest as possible. The south-end can be finished next fiscal year. Bolatto also suggested that library staff have a fire, tornado, and bomb drill at one of the upcoming library in-service days.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Stockdale and seconded by Jones. All were in favor, none opposed.

Recording Secretary - Tammy M. Smith

Date of Approval