

TOMPKINS COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

TCPL Board Members Present: Luca Maurer, President; Blix Taetzsch, Jamie Loehr, Shelley Wong, Anthony Martinez, Liam Murphy, Ingrid Jensen, Jason Moore, Don Trotter, Martha Hardesty, Thompson Terry, Nina Miller, Nina Scholtz

Also Present: Annette Birdsall, Library Director; Mary McKeon, Administrative Manager; Michelle Benjamin, Business Manager; Jennifer Schlossberg, Head of Access Services; Amanda Champion, County Liaison; Laura Larson, Foundation Board Liaison.

With a quorum now present, meeting convened at 4:05 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

APPROVAL OF AGENDA DOC 20-72

A **MOTION** was made by M. Hardesty and seconded by J. Moore to approve the agenda. Approved unanimously.

APPROVAL OF AUGUST 25, 2020 DRAFT MINUTES DOC 20-73

A **MOTION** was made by S. Wong and seconded by M. Hardesty to approve the minutes. Approved unanimously.

ACCEPTANCE OF EXECUTIVE EXCHANGE COMMITMENT TO EQUITY AND ANTI-RACISM

A **MOTION** was made by A. Martinez and seconded by L. Murphy to accept Executive Exchange Commitment to Equity and Anti-Racism. Accepted unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CONSTRUCTION GRANT PROJECT

A **MOTION** was made by B. Taetzsch and seconded by M. Hardesty to approve the Construction Grant Project work. Approved unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

I, Treasurer, Thompson Terry, in keeping with New York State Education Law, certify that I have reviewed payrolls #18 dated 8/27/20 and #19 dated 9/10/20 totaling \$129,258.29. I have reviewed all vouchers presented for payment, and that all disbursements are within the approved operating budget of the library, and therefore recommend that the Board of Trustees approve for payment September 2020 bills in the amount of \$170,114.09 as listed in Abstracts #26, #27 and #28.

DIRECTORS REPORT

Director Birdsall reviewed the 2020 budget as presented to the Tompkins County Legislature. She explained County Administrator Jason Molino's recommended \$50,000 over target request for collection funds to support our community libraries and readers in Enfield.

LIAISON REPORTS

County – A. Champion reminded everyone the legislators were in the middle of budget season and attending budget presentations until mid-October. Champion was happy to answer questions.

Friends – D. Trotter reported the last day of donations was September 12, to have ample time to sort the books on the shelves before the fall sale, October 17. The sale is a week later than the traditional sale weekend. The friends have added days to the sale to make up for the limited number of people allowed to shop at a time. Trotter commented donation collection was for a short time but there is still lots of good items.

A **MOTION** was made by M. Hardesty and seconded by I. Jensen to adjourn at 4:39 PM. Approved unanimously.

Recorded by Mary McKeon
Administrative Manager

Endorsed by Blixxy Taetzsch
Secretary