

FLORIDA PUBLIC LIBRARY
Monthly Meeting Minutes – January 3, 2022

I. Call to Order at 6:30 pm

Board Members Present: M. Scott, D. Arcieri, R. Kamrowski, S. Kosior,
L. Fernandez T. Carey (Zoom)
Board Members Excused:
Board Members Absent:
Also Present: Director Sgombick
Members of the Public Present: 1

II. Minutes

Motion by D. Arcieri seconded by T. Carey to approve the minutes of the December 6, 2021 monthly meeting as corrected.

VOTE: YES 6 NO 0

III. Announcements and Comments from the Public - None

IV. Treasurer's Report

Motion by S. Kosior seconded by L. Fernandez to accept the financial report for December as printed.

VOTE: YES 6 NO 0

V. Warrant Schedule for January

Motion by N. Scott seconded by D. Arcieri approve the Warrant Schedule for January as printed.

VOTE: YES 6 NO 0

VI. Director's Report

Motion by T. Carey seconded by L. Fernandez to accept the Director's Report as corrected.

VOTE: YES 6 NO 0

VII. Communications – Sara Taylor, Letter of Interest in Board of Trustee vacancy

VIII. Committee Reports

- A. Finance** – Trustee Fernandez – 2022-2023 Proposed Budget, see motion below
- B. Personnel** – Trustee Kamrowski - None
- C. Nominating** – Trustee Kosior - None
- D. House** - Trustee Carey - None

IX. Unfinished Business

- A. Meeting with Architects** – Awaiting new date for meeting with Paul Mayes. Discussion of reference questions.

X. New Business

A. Donations

\$150 – Thomas and Deborah Cronin

Motion by S. Kosior seconded by L. Fernandez to accept \$150 from the donors, to thank them and to credit this amount to the Donations line (4050) of the budget.

VOTE: YES 6 NO 0

B. Targeted Donations

\$1000 – Martinez/Hernandez Family- IMO Carolos A. Hernandez

Motion by D. Arcieri and seconded by R. Kamrowski to accept \$1000 for updating the Spanish & Bilingual collections, thank the donor and credit this amount to the Targeted Donations line (4060) and the Books line (5010) of the budget.

VOTE: YES 6 NO 0

C. Bullet Aid for 2021-2022

Motion by L. Fernandez seconded by S. Kosior to accept \$25,000 from the Ramapo Catskill Library System for Bullet Aid for 2021-2022 directed to the library by Assemblyman Karl Brabenec, thank the Assemblyman and credit Legislative Bullet Aid (4082), Building Planning (6526), Furniture (6523) and Repairs & Maintenance (5310).

VOTE: YES 6 NO 0

D. Tax Cap Override Resolution

Motion by D. Arcieri seconded by R. Kamrowski to adopt the following resolution:

Whereas, the adoption of the 2022-2023 budget for the Florida Public Library requires a tax levy increase that exceeds the tax cap imposed by state law as outlined in General Municipal Law Section 3-c adopted in 2011; and

Whereas, General Municipal Law Section 3-c expressly permits the library board to override the tax levy limit by resolution approved by a vote of sixty percent of the qualified board members, now therefore be it

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Florida Public Library voted and approved to exceed the tax levy limit for 2022-2023 by at least sixty percent of the Board of Trustees as required by state law on January 3, 2022.

VOTE: YES 6 NO 0

E. Proposed Budget for 2022-2023 Fiscal Year

Motion by Ronald Kamrowski, Finance Committee Chairman, to approve the adoption of the proposed budget for 2022-2023 in the amount of \$553,433, including a tax levy of \$500,933 to be approved by the voters of the Florida Union Free School District on April 7, 2022, as corrected.

VOTE: YES 6 NO 0

Note: As this motion is put forward by a committee it does not require a second.

F. Items for future agendas

XI. Adjournment

Motion by T. Carey seconded by D. Arcierito adjourn at 7:00p.m.

VOTE: YES 6 NO 0

Next Meeting: Regular Monthly Meeting, Monday, February 7, 6:30 p.m.