

Ypsilanti District Library
Board of Trustees
Minutes, July 25, 2018 (Approved)

CALL TO ORDER

President Brain Steimel called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

Attendance

Trustees Present: Patricia Horne McGee, Courtney Geil, Kay Williams, Brain Steimel, Jean Winborn (arriving 6:40PM), and John Barr (6:42PM).

Trustees Absent: Kimberly Grover

Also present: Director Lisa Hoenig, Business Office Manager Monica Gower, Michigan Avenue Branch Manager Joy Cichewicz, Youth Services Dept. Head Jodi Krahnke, Teen Librarian Kelly Scott, TAB members, and community residents Theresa Maddix and Bethany Kennedy.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Trustee Horne McGee moved to approve the meeting agenda with the following addition and Trustee Williams supported this motion.

- New business "A" Appointing of an acting secretary for the resolution to approve the ballot language in the absence of Secretary Kimberly Grover.

Vote: Ayes: Horne-McGee, Geil, Williams and Steimel

Nays: None

Motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Bethany Kennedy, Ypsilanti MI

Co - chair of Vote Yes for Our Library ballot committee; a citizen's advocacy group. Also a candidate running for YDL board position this November. Group is working to keep Yes voters informed. On their website, yesforydl.com you can find info, make donations, find volunteer opportunities, give testimonials or endorsements.

PRESENTATION

Overview of YDL - Michigan service, Joy Cichewicz

Presentation of programs and initiatives offered by YDL Michigan Ave

- Received the Prime Time grant for the fourth time. It is a family reading program that is targeted at low income families. Dinner, incentives, and books are provided. Scholar led book discussions increase children's engagement and critical thinking.
- Just finished another Compugirls program; this is the third session. Compugirls teaches young girls skills, allows them to express themselves and increases their sense of identity.
- This year the library will also be involved in hosting candidate forums for mayoral, council, school board candidates and state ballot proposals. Public will be able to ask questions. These forums will take place at Riverside Arts.

Work & Impact of YDL Teen Advisory Board, TAB members

- TAB has brought in new teens. The library gives teens a safe place to go and hang out. It has also increased diversity among the teens.
- Programs such as Open studio bring together teens with different types of Art talents.

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- Noise permit another teen program, allows teens to speak their minds, sing, rap, talk and say how they feel.
- The after hours program offers teens the opportunity to meet other teens interested in comic books and video games in an environment they feel comfortable in.

CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Williams moved to approve the consent agenda (June 27, 2018 Meeting Minutes, and June 2018 Financials and Check Register). Trustee Geil supported this motion.

Vote: Ayes: Barr, Horne-McGee, Geil, Williams, Winborn and Steimel

Nays: None

Motion passed.

COMMUNICATIONS

Founding of library article that was in the board packet was written by Jerome Drummond a clerk at MI Ave. The article appeared in the Gleanings newsletter of the Ypsilanti Historical Society.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Finance Committee: No report
- Personnel Committee: No report
- Policy Committee: No report
- FOL Library Report: No report
- Fund Development Committee: No report
- Negotiations committee: No report
- Superior Township planning: No report

REPORT OF THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR

In addition to submitted Director's report, Director Hoenig relayed the following:

- TEDx YDL is announced. It will be held Thursday evening, Sept 27, 2018 at Riverside Arts Center. Theme is mobility. Looking for speakers interested in talking about mobility. If you know anyone interested give them our web address and let them know where they can apply.
- Met last week with the design firm that works on our TALK materials and marketing. They did a test of a social media ad that was effective. We gave them the go ahead to further develop it and add tweaks to the TALK website. Right now Social media drives people to the website but the website does not give much information on what TALK is. They proposed adding more info. We gave them the okay.
- Did a TALK mailing last fall to preschools and pediatricians offices. In the next phase that is coming up we will mail to churches to try to get the word out to a different category of partners.
- IT did a Filter analysis and surveyed other TLN libraries that have Envisionware about what kind of effective filtering products they were using. It came down to two; OpenDNS and Barracuda Networks. They feel Barracuda Networks would best fit our needs and allow us to turn the filter off with a staff override as the law requires (which we cannot do now). Our next step is to look at pricing for the product.
- Performance dashboard withheld due to some staff absences and because of problem with computer usage statistics. The statistics that are being reported from Envisionware for usage are about a third of the size Sam was reporting to us. IT has spoken with Envisionware; they are taking responsibility and working on a solution.

OLD BUSINESS

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None

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Appointing of an acting secretary for the resolution to approve the ballot language in the absence of Secretary Kimberly Grover.

Trustee Barr nominated Jean Winborn to act as secretary for the night. Trustee Geil seconded that motion.

Vote: Ayes: Barr, Horne-McGee, Geil, Williams, Winborn and Steimel
Nays: None
Motion passed.

- B. Budget Amendment

YPSILANTI DISTRICT LIBRARY
RESOLUTION NO. 2018-14
July 25, 2018
RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2017-18 BUDGET

Whereas, the Ypsilanti District Library Board of Trustees approves an annual budget prior to the December 1 start of each fiscal year, and

Whereas, the budget is a working document and unforeseen changes can and do occur during the course of a fiscal year, and

Whereas, in light of changes throughout the first half of the fiscal year, more accurate budget figures for certain revenue and expenditure accounts have been approximated, Now therefore,

IT IS RESOLVED BY THE YPSILANTI DISTRICT LIBRARY BOARD that:

The Ypsilanti District Library budget for the fiscal year ending November 30, 2018 be amended as presented.

OFFERED BY: Kay Williams

SUPPORTED BY: John Barr

YES: 6 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1 VOTE: 6-0

- C. Resolution to approve ballot language

YPSILANTI DISTRICT LIBRARY
RESOLUTION NO. 2018-15
RESOLUTION TO APPROVE LIBRARY BALLOT PROPOSAL

At a regular meeting of the Library Board of the Ypsilanti District Library, Washtenaw County, Michigan, held at the Library on the ____ day of _____, 2018 at _____ p.m.

PRESENT: _____

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ABSENT: _____

The following Resolution was offered by _____
_____ and seconded by _____.

WHEREAS, the Ypsilanti District Library ("District Library") is a district library subject to the provisions of the District Library Establishment Act, 1989 PA 24, MCL 397.171 et seq. ("DLEA"); and

WHEREAS, the District Library desires to levy additional millage in support of the District Library;

WHEREAS, the Library Board of the District Library determines that it is in the best interests and welfare of the District Library and its residents that revenue be authorized for all district library purposes; therefore, the District Library has determined to request from voters of the District Library district a new additional millage of .70 mill for twelve (12) years, subject to Headlee rollbacks; and

WHEREAS, the Library Board determines that it is in the best interests of the District Library that such millage be voted on at an election to be held in the District Library district on November 6, 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Library Board of the Ypsilanti District Library that:

1. The Library Board approves the ballot language attached as Exhibit A and certifies that the proposition attached as Exhibit A shall be submitted to a vote of the qualified electors of the Library at an election to be held on Tuesday, November 6, 2018.
2. The Secretary of the Library Board of the District Library ("Secretary") is hereby directed to file a certified copy of this Resolution with the Washtenaw County Clerk ("County Clerk").
3. The Secretary is directed to request that the County Clerk publish notice of the close of registration in the manner required by law. ***The District Library Establishment Act requires that the notice of close of registration contain the ballot language of the proposal attached as Exhibit A to this Resolution.***
4. The Secretary is directed to request the County Clerk publish notice of the election in the manner required by law.
5. The Secretary shall work with the County Clerk to have prepared and printed, as provided by law, separate ballots for submitting said propositions, which ballots shall be in substantially the same form shown on Exhibit A, or said propositions shall be stated as separate propositions on the voting machines.

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OFFERED BY: Patricia Horne McGee

SUPPORTED BY: Kay Williams

YES: 6 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1 VOTE: 6-0

D. Consideration of a resolution in support of the AAATA ballot proposal

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RESOLUTION NO. 2018-16
July 25, 2018
RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE ANN ARBOR AREA TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (AAATA) BALLOT
PROPOSAL

WHEREAS, the Ann Arbor Area Transportation Authority (AAATA) received voter support in 2014 for a 5-year, 0.7 mill property tax for the purpose of expanding public transit services, and

WHEREAS, the AAATA has implemented all aspects of service identified as part of the 2014 plan, including adding service to YDL-Whittaker and improving service to YDL-Superior, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the AAATA has approved ballot language and is seeking renewal of the 0.7 mill millage at the August 2018 election in order to maintain the new services,

WHEREAS expanded transit service helps advance the mission of the Ypsilanti District Library by increasing residents' access to library services,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Ypsilanti District Library Board of Trustees formally endorses the 2018 AAATA millage.

OFFERED BY: Courtney Geil

SUPPORTED BY: Patricia Horne McGee

YES: 6 NO: 0 ABSENT: 1 VOTE: 6-0

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Trustee	Comment
Courtney	No comments
Jean	Brought grandkids to library, will be bringing them again soon. Had a nice time. Spoke with a grandmother who brings her grandkids to the library instead of them going to day camp. They eat lunch do the activities.
Brian	Love what outreach department is doing with the pop up story times. Ran into image filter issue at EMU library. A nun using a new printer was scanning. It stopped her from scanning a picture of a religious statue because it was "inappropriate". This shows the effect of image based filters. The library found it had an out of the box filter. They found her another printer to use.

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Kay	No comments
Kimberly	Absent
Patricia	Not happy about article in Forbes. The article has since been retracted but it was suggesting using Amazon instead of libraries to avoid paying library taxes.
John	Whitaker Rd. asphalt looking good. Went to Whitaker library and Beezy's for lunch a couple of times last week. Nice break from workday. Thanked Director Hoenig for presentation at the Rotary Club regarding the library and millage. Added later that it warms his heart to see the TAB presentation and what they are doing for the library. Noted that it's not easy for many to give speeches especially teens.
Lisa	No comments

Adjournment

Trustee Williams moved to adjourn at 7:29pm. Trustee Barr seconded this motion.

Vote: Ayes: Barr, Horne-McGee, Geil, Williams, Winborn and Steimel

 Nays: None

 Motion passed.