tacoma public library

Minutes

October 16, 2024

BOARD OF TRUSTEES: Andrea Cobb, President; Manny Santiago, Vice President; Theresa Pan Hosley, Trustee; Sara Irish, Trustee; Elizabeth Bowman, Trustee

MEETING LOCATION Swasey Branch, 7001 Sixth Avenue, Tacoma WA, 98406

CALL TO ORDER

Called to order by VP Santiago at 5:30pm

Present: Manny Santiago, Theresa Pan Hosley, Sara Irish, Elizabeth Bowman, Amita Lonial

Staff: Jared Eyer, Rodney Croston, Malcolm White, Zac Matthews, Angelo Defazio, Faith Stevens, Melissa Fitzgerald, Marco Vargas, Samie Iverson, Manny Sandoval, Michelle Massero, JoLyn Reisdorf, Maria Shackles, Lyndea Kelleher

3 members of the public

LAND AND CULTURAL HISTORY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION 24064

- 1. Minutes of the September 18, 2024, Regular Meeting
- 2. Financial Report for September 2024
- 3. HR Report for September 2024
- 4. Library Services Report for September 2024

Motioned by Irish. Seconded by Pan Hosley. Approved.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

RESOLUTION 24065: Payment of Bills Per Vouchers - Authorization

The Board authorizes the payment of bills per voucher as presented, and further, the Board approves and ratifies the checks issued in September 2024 by the City of Tacoma for Tacoma Public Library claims as summarized and documented in materials submitted to the Board. Motioned by Pan Hosley. Seconded by Irish. Approved.

RESOLUTION 24066: Ratify Recurring Monthly Expenditures – Approval The Board approves and ratifies the September 2024 payments for the City of Tacoma services provided to Tacoma Public Library, as presented.

Motioned by Irish. Seconded by Pan Hosley. Approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comment.

STAFF RECOGNITION – October Staff Anniversaries

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Trustee Recruitment

Director Lonial: We are recruiting for 2 positions at once. Trustee Irish and Trustee Pan Hosley will be retiring in a few months. Application can be found at the CoT CBC page. Please share this with your networks. Open until October 28th.

PRESENTATIONS

TPL Logo Refresh – Faith Stevens, Library Graphic Arts and Public Information Specialist

Follow up on previous presentation about new color story and redesign of logo. Work was guided by our strategic plan and the community input that we collected during that process – design uses that as a jumping off point. There are plenty of traditional book logos, but the Library has grown and is so much more than that to our community. Symbolizes growth, maybe just organic shapes that can be meaningful in different ways, nature/plants, maybe 3 little people, arms open and welcoming.

NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION 24067: Request that the Board adopt the schedule of 2025 regular and study session meetings.

Motioned by Bowman. Seconded by Irish. Approved.

RESOLUTION 24068: Request that the Board approve the purchase of AV Upgrades from Continuant.

Motioned by Irish. Seconded by Bowman. Approved.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Overview of branch facilities update.

Overview of budget season - City has interactive book that is available.

TRUSTEES REPORT

Santiago: Attended the Latino Festival this Saturday and hung out with the Library folk and saw so many Spanish books and families there.

Irish: TCC resource Fair – staff was there and were incredibly busy and had so many students sign up for library cards.

Pan Hosley: Can we request that council members advertise the trustee positions as well, or have them recommend someone to apply.

Irish: The application is a bit intense just to be a board member. Heard that the application is a barrier to entry because it's like applying for employment at the city for just a volunteer position. Can be intimidating and isn't as accessible for everyone.

CLOSED SESSION

Pursuant to RCW 42.30.140 (4)(a) Collective bargaining sessions with employee organizations, including contract negotiations, grievance meetings, and discussions relating to the interpretation or application of a labor agreement; or (b) that portion of a meeting during which the governing body is planning or adopting the strategy or position to be taken by the governing body during the course of any collective bargaining, professional negotiations, or grievance or mediation proceedings, or reviewing the proposals made in the negotiations or proceedings while in progress.

VP Santiago: Exiting regular session and calling to order closed session beginning at 6:31pm until 7:01pm.

VP Santiago: Exiting closed session at 7:01pm and bringing us back to regular session to adjourn the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjourned at 7:02pm

The next regular Board meeting is Wednesday, November 20th, 2024, at 5:30 p.m. at the Moore Branch, 215 South 56th Street, Tacoma WA, 98408.

Amita Lonial, Secretary

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