# Minutes For the West Bloomfield Township Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting on January 13, 2021 Held Virtually via Zoom

(In compliance with the Open Meetings Act as amended by 2021 SB 1246)

Present: Kari Eickemeyer (attending remotely from West Bloomfield, Oakland

County, Michigan)

Carol Foster (attending remotely from West Bloomfield, Oakland County,

Michigan)

Judith Holtz (attending remotely from West Bloomfield, Oakland County,

Michigan)

Carol Kravetz (attending remotely from West Bloomfield, Oakland

County, Michigan)

**Ken Macon** (attending remotely from West Bloomfield, Oakland County,

Michigan)

Cathy Russ, Director

Jeff Crocker (staff co-host)

Robert Pesale (staff co-host)

**Bob Tera**, West Bloomfield resident

Clara Bohrer, Retired Director

Marcia Gershenson—Vice Chairwoman, Oakland County Board of

Commissioners

Absent: None

#### **Call to Order**

President Kravetz called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. An attendance roll call vote was taken by Secretary Foster and a quorum of five Board members were participating remotely from West Bloomfield Township, Oakland County, Michigan.

#### **Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION:** 

MOVE TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR THE JANUARY 13, 2021 MEETING.

Moved: Macon Second: Foster

Ayes: Eickemeyer, Foster, Holtz, Kravetz, Macon

Nays: None **MOTION CARRIED.** 

# <u>Presentation to Clara Bohrer by Oakland County Board of</u> Commissioners Vice Chairwoman Marcia Gershenson, District 13

President Kravetz introduced Marcia Gershenson, who presented retired West Bloomfield Township Public Library Director Clara Bohrer with a proclamation from the Oakland County Board of Commissioners. Ms. Bohrer's 30 years of dedicated service to the Library and the West Bloomfield community were highlighted in the proclamation, and Ms. Gershenson thanked Ms. Bohrer for her many contributions to the community.

#### Correspondence

Director Russ notes that 9 applications for the open Trustee seat have been received; there have also been several inquiries about the position.

## **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

## **Approval of Minutes**

#### MOTION:

# MOVE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FOR THE DECEMBER 9, 2020 BOARD MEETING.

Moved: Foster Second: Macon

Ayes: Foster, Macon, Eickemeyer, Holtz, Kravetz

Nays: None **MOTION CARRIED.** 

#### **Financial Report**

The December 2020 financial statements were accepted.

#### **Director's Report**

The January 2021 Director's Report was accepted.

#### **Accounts Payable**

#### MOTION:

MOVE TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF ALL BILLS AND ACCOUNTS DUE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$178,832.28 AND RATIFY EXPENSES INCURRED SINCE DECEMBER 9, 2020 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$260,467.35.

Moved: Macon Second: Holtz

Ayes: Macon, Foster, Eickemeyer, Holtz, Kravetz

Nays: None **MOTION CARRIED.** 

## **Invitation to Thomas Meyer's Family to February Board Meeting**

President Kravetz called for acclamation from the board to invite the family of Thomas Meyer to the February board meeting, to present a framed proclamation and plaque in recognition of his 34 years of dedicated service to WBTPL and the Board of Trustees.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY BY ACCLAMATION OF THE BOARD.

## **Process and Timeline for Filling Open Trustee Position**

#### **MOTION:**

MOVE TO APPROVE THE PROCESS AND TIMELINE FOR FILLING THE OPEN TRUSTEE POSITION

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Motion: Eickemeyer

Second: Holtz

Ayes: Eickemeyer, Kravetz, Foster, Holtz, Macon

Nays: None **MOTION CARRIED.** 

#### **Appointment of Officers to the Nominating Committee**

#### **MOTION:**

# MOVE TO APPOINT CAROL FOSTER, JUDITH HOLTZ AND KEN MACON TO THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE:

Moved: Eickemeyer

Second: Holtz

Ayes: Eickemeyer, Kravetz, Foster, Holtz, Macon Nays: None

Nays: None **MOTION CARRIED.** 

#### **Board Comments**

• The Board members welcomed Director Russ to her new position.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

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Karen Eickemeyer, Deputy Secretary