

ELMHURST PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
May 18, 2017

Kossmann Room, 7:03 p.m.

LWV observer: A. Armstrong

A quorum being present, President Baker called the meeting to order.

Introduction of Visitors - There was one visitor and that was the League Observer.

Public comment - No comments were made.

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes - April 16, 2017. Minutes were unanimously approved.

ATTACHMENT A.

Approval of the May 16, 2017 Accounts Payable was unanimously approved. ATTACHMENT B.

Reports -

a. Financial - budget is on target. The Director will be presenting a draft budget for next fiscal year next month even though the the Library is only 33% into the year. The City must review the budget and the process has to begin early. ATTACHMENT C.

b. Director - The Makerspace is finished! The space will be open to the public on June 7. The grand opening will be July 8. The One Book, One Community Project will begin this summer. The chosen book is "Between the World and Me." Book discussions, a film, and other events will be offered to allow the community a full exploration of the topic of race relations. The Oak Park Library used this book last year and donated 60 copies to Elmhurst Library to facilitate book discussions. ATTACHMENT D.

c. President - President Baker presented the letter sent to legislators asking for support for the Library & Technology Grants and the Grant and Innovative Approaches to Literacy program. The grants were not cut and, in fact, one million dollars were added to the programs! The letter was distributed at the meeting and is not attached.

Unfinished Business - Makerspace - there will be a tour prior to the adjournment.

New Business

a. Resolution to Close Working Cash & Gavin Fund - it was unanimously resolved to transfer these funds to the Operating Fund per conditions set by the donor. ATTACHMENT E

b. Approval to Purchase Artwork for the Gathering Room - All but one piece of the art work was viewed by the Board. One piece was in the Gathering Room where a meeting was being held. No decision was made. The work is by a local artist, Penelope Osio-Brown and each was wonderful and would work in the room. ATTACHMENT F

c. Director Review Schedule and Form - there was discussion about implementing a new form. The Board would like a more interactive form with the Director having more input. The Director is held in very high regard. ATTACHMENT G

The Board went to the 2nd floor to view the art work and then to the Makerspace (Makery). I went along for the tour and can attest that the space created for creative activities is wonderful and is sure to be a big hit with members of the community. To my knowledge there is not another library that has a "makerspace" that is this well done.

The meeting was adjourned by President Baker at 8:42 pm.

ATTACHMENTS are available at Library Website: elmhurstpubliclibrary.org