

MAUD PRESTON PALENSKE MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD

ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Call to order: Board President Ren Baldwin (City of St. Joseph) called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Other board members present: Vice President Melissa Clapper (St. Joseph Township); Secretary William Ast (City of St. Joseph); Patrice Rose (St. Joseph Township); Mimi Elwell (St. Joseph Township); Barbara Thompson (City of St. Joseph); and Betty Mundy (St. Joseph Township).

Absent: Kathy Buursma (City of St. Joseph).

Also present: Director Stephanie Masin; Assistant Director Paula Stakley; Sue Morgan, administrative assistant. No members of the public were present, either in person or remotely.

Minutes: Clapper, supported by Elwell, moved to approve the minutes of the July 2021 meeting. The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

Annual treasurer's report: After some discussion, Clapper moved to approve the 2021-22 financial report, and Mundy seconded her motion. The board voted unanimously to approve the financial report.

Annual statistical report: Rose, supported by Thompson, moved to accept the annual statistical report.

"I was just thrilled to see our numbers come up" after the COVID crisis eased," Masin said. Recent program attendance "has been outstanding," she added.

The board voted unanimously to accept the report.

Board meeting schedule and library closing schedule for upcoming year: Elwell moved to accept the proposed schedule, and Ast seconded the motion. The board accepted the schedule in a unanimous vote.

President's report: Baldwin said he did not have a report.

Election of officers: Ast, supported by Thompson, moved to open officer nominations from the floor. The board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

Baldwin asked for nominations from the floor. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to close the floor closed for nominations. Ast, supported by Elwell, moved to close the floor to nominations, and the board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

Elwell moved to approve a proposed slate of officers, and Mundy seconded the motion. The board voted unanimously to re-elect the following slate of officers to new one-year terms: president, Ren Baldwin; vice president, Melissa Clapper; and secretary, William Ast. The treasurer's post remains vacant.

Baldwin thanked Elwell for putting together the slate of officers for 2022-23. Elwell said she was "thankful and grateful for all three of you stepping forward to do the job."

Adjournment: Ast, supported by Elwell, moved to adjourn the 2022-23 annual meeting. The board voted unanimously to approve the motion, and Baldwin declared the annual meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

The board then re-convened to hold its regular meeting of July 25, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary William Ast