

**SOUTHFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
WEDNESDAY December 12, 2018, 7:00 PM
SOUTHFIELD ROOM**

Members attending: Euni Rose, Carole McCollough, Terry Selman, Laura Mancini
Ex Officio: Howard Haynes, Irv Lowenberg Staff: David Ewick
Guest: Mayor Kenson Siver

- I. **CALL TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order by Chair Rose at 5:00.

- II. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA – Motion to approve the agenda by Selman. Support by McCollough. Motion carried 3-0.**

- III. **FORMAL REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD –** Mayor Siver updated the board on the fountain and what is to come. He summarized the history of the problems along with the search for repairs. Cost estimates for repair had been as much as \$450,000. Removal est. about \$300,000.

The Mayor described the work that has been done so far, what will be done to ensure no problems in the future; and how he has been fund raising to reduce the cost from the \$192,000 that he has been able to secure. There was discussion of getting a volunteer group to maintain the landscaping when the work is completed.

In conclusion, Mayor Siver requested that the board approve funds to complete the fountain renovation.

Motion: To appropriate \$100,000 of the Miller Gift Funds to be given to the Friends of the Southfield Public Arts for use in renovation of the Library fountain. Motion by Selman. Support by McCollough. Motion carried 3-0.

- IV. **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS - Motion to approve consent agenda by McCollough. Support by Selman. Motion carried 3-0.**

- A. November 2018 Minutes
- B. November 2018 Treasurer's Report
- C. Correspondence/Articles – ALA Great Stories Club article

V. REPORTS

A. Director's Report

Miscellaneous:

- Youth team has won an ALA grant! Charli Osborne will be trained in Truth, Racial Healing & Transformation. See attached page. Charli is also noted as being the Chair of the ALA YALSA Morris Award committee.
- Ewick will make a presentation to the Lathrup Village Council on December 19 at 7 pm to share information about the opportunities available at the library.
- Tonight's Friends of the Library fundraiser concert with Alexander Zonjic is sold out!

Personnel:

- Active shooter training with Mike Kuzila went very well. Thanks to the Friends of the Library for supporting this training with refreshments.
- The annual staff holiday get together was a grand success, with the Friends once again providing the food. Special kudos to Claire Cole who put the whole thing together!
- Most of the City personnel contracts have been settled. Career staff will realize a 2% raise in January, and another 2% raise in July.
- Still looking for Part Time Substitute Librarians & non-career people to prepare for expanding library hours.
- Technology Systems Administrator – position is still 'on hold'.
- Trying to reclassify two positions in the Tech division as the duties of the jobs have changed radically with technology's advances. Also on hold.
- Replacing two interns who completed their internship with us.

Building Projects:

- Audio/Visual upgrade – Bid will be awarded 12-13-18 by LBA to TelSystems for \$106,000
- Strategic Planning bidding – Bid is on tonight's agenda for awarding to MCLS for \$30,100

VI. BUSINESS

- A. Request to use Miller Trust Gift Funds for repair of the Library Fountain.
(handled in item III above)

- B. Request to accept gift of a Hardman Peck baby grand piano from Northwest Unitarian Universalist Church. **Motion to accept the piano was made by Selman. Support by Mancini. Motion carried 4-0.**
- C. Request to award Strategic Planning bid to the Midwest Consortium for Library Services (MCLS) for \$30,100 from gift funds. **Motion to award the Strategic Planning bid made by McCollough. Support by Mancini. Motion carried 4-0.**

IX. COMMENTS

Rose reminded the board that next month the meetings move to the 4th Wednesday of each month.

- X. ADJOURNMENT: **McCollough moved to adjourn at 6:21. Support by Mancini. Motion carried 4-0.**

Next Southfield Public Library Board meeting: January 23, 2019

Respectfully submitted by City Librarian David Ewick