

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE NASHUA PUBLIC LIBRARY

A regular meeting of the Board of Library Trustees was held at 7:00 pm on September 3, 2024, in the conference room at the Nashua Public Library, 2 Court Street, Nashua, New Hampshire.

Trustees present were:

Linda Laflamme (Chair)
David Pinsonneault
Scott Jaquith
Manuel Espitia
Kristin Kane
Padmaja Kunapareddy

Also present was Library Director Jennifer McCormack and Assistant Library Director Jenn Hosking, who took the minutes. Two members of the public were present.

Chairman Laflamme called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Public comment period: Brad Brusso expressed his appreciation for all the great work the Board of Trustees has done for the library.

The Board examined the bills and, upon a motion duly made by Ms. Kunapareddy, seconded by Ms. Kane, unanimously:

RESOLVED that July and August bills in the amount of **\$69,095.37** be approved for payment from the **Regular** budget and July and August bills in the amount of **\$100.57** be approved for payment from the **Fines** budget.

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Espitia, seconded by Mr. Jaquith, the Board unanimously **approved**

- **\$15,611.00 be expended from Miscellaneous Donation to fund a subscription to Art Record, the outreach event portion of the voting and election information project, and the purchase of carpet and furniture to be reimbursed by the Friends of the Nashua Library**

- **\$69,510 be expended from the Stearns trust to fund costs associated with the NH downloadable books consortium, high demand book purchases, Nashua Reads books, eBook collection subscriptions, the purchase of books distributed at community events and popup libraries**

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Pinsonneault, seconded by Ms. Kane, the Board unanimously **approved the minutes of the May 7, 2024 regular meeting and the minutes of the August 6, 2024 special meeting.**

Dawn Enwright, Treasurer/Tax Collector for the City of Nashua, introduced herself to the Board and discussed her intention to instate a Trustee of Trust Funds board for the city in accordance with state statute and the city charter. Ms. Enwright and members of the Board had a lengthy discussion and ultimately determined that they would send further questions to Ms. Enwright by email for her response. Ms. Enwright will supply some documentation regarding this change to Director McCormack to share with the Board.

Upon a motion duly made by Mr. Pinsonneault, seconded by Mr. Espitia, the Board unanimously **approved the revised meeting room policy, security camera policy and public bulletin board policy as presented.**

The Board expressed support for Director McCormack's revised use of the Stearns room as a browsing area for the library's large print and audiobook collections. They also support highlighting Anna Stearns contributions to the library with a portrait and name placard in place of the name of this space.

In other business, Director McCormack shared Vision Government will be using a library meeting room space for three weeks in September so tax payers can ask questions of their property tax bill. Director McCormack also shared a collaboration between the library and the League of Women voters to schedule candidate forums for the Executive Council seat and the Governor's race. Finally, she announced the RFQ for the library's space needs assessment was published and proposals are due back

by September 26, 2024. Director McCormack invited trustees to review the submissions with her prior to the October Board meeting.

Chairman Laflamme summarized the August 6th presentation from the City's Economic Development Director and Community Development Director for Board members not present at that meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board, upon a motion duly made by Mr. Pinsonneault, seconded by Ms. Kunapareddy, the Trustees unanimously:

RESOLVED: That the meeting be adjourned at 8:45 pm.

Attest _____

David K. Pinsonneault, Secretary