

FREMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MONTHLY MEETING
05-23-2024 MINUTES

Trustees Present: Kasten, MacKay, Nalezny, Pflug Mounce, Wilmes, Cole-Burns, Smogor

Others Present: Director Long, Assistant Director Ingram

1. Call to Order: The regular board meeting was called to order at 6:05 pm by President Nalezny.
2. Approval of Agenda: Trustee Kasten motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Trustee Smogor. Motion passed by voice vote.
3. Public Comment: There were no public comments.
4. Secretary's Report: Trustee Smogor motioned to approve the minutes of the regular board meeting of April 18, 2024, and the Statement of Inclusion Committee meeting of May 16, 2024. Trustee Kasten seconded the motion. Motion passed by voice vote.
5. Finance/Treasurer's Report: The monthly Finance report for April 2024 was presented. Trustee Kasten had inquiries regarding maintenance purchases, which Director Long addressed. Trustee Kasten motioned to approve lists of checks for May 2024 and to approve the payment of bills and salaries. Trustee Wilmes seconded the motion. Roll call was conducted, and the motion passed unanimously. There was discussion regarding comparing architectural proposals, with clarification provided that such a comparison is unnecessary as the current architect's pricing is competitive and they have a thorough understanding of the building.
6. Committee Reports: The Statement on Inclusion Committee Report for the meeting of May 16, 2024, was presented by Director Long. Plans were discussed to create a separate statement of land acknowledgment in the near future.
7. Board President's Report: President Nalezny expressed satisfaction with the capital replacement plan. Director Long recommended including funds in special reserve in the budget for emergency purposes.
8. Director's Report: Trustee Wilmes and President Nalezny shared positive feedback on recent projects and events. Trustee Cole-Burns praised the efforts in outreach and recent changes made to the magazine database. Concerns about library usage were raised by Trustee Wilmes, with reassurance provided by Assistant Director Ingram that usage is on track to surpass last fiscal year's numbers.
9. Other Business:
 - Adopt a Highway dates for June 17 at 6pm were selected, with staff participation encouraged.
 - Discussion on strategic planning to determine the direction to take ensued.
10. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 pm by President Nalezny.

Approved

/S/ Sharon Smogor

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