

Minutes  
Bartholomew County Public Library  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
November 25, 2024  
4:00 – 5:00 pm

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m. by President Gron.

Present on site: Monta Frazier, Gary Gron, Laura Hack, Dawn Doup-Pandit, Susan Finke Scott, and Mike Wilkerson. Library staff: Jason Hatton, Director; Mike McIver, Attorney.

Present via Zoom: Vern Jorck

Absent: None

Announcements

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the October 21, 2024 Board Meeting were reviewed. A correction of Finke Scott's name was required. Doup-Pandit moved and Frazier seconded approval of the October 21, 2024 minutes as corrected. The Board was polled and all answered Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Report and Approval of Claims

A. Claims 844 through 921 in the amount of \$403,297.31 were reviewed. Hatton made note of some claims. Wilkerson moved and Jorck seconded approval to pay Claims 844 through 921 in the amount of \$403,297.31. The Board was polled and all answered Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Action Items

A. 2025 Officer Elections. The committee reported the 2025 slate of officer nominations are as follows: Gron – President, Frazier – Vice President, Hack – Secretary, and Wilkerson – Treasurer. No other nominations were made from the floor. Doup-Pandit moved and Wilkerson seconded that the slate of officers be approved as presented. The Board was polled and all answered Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

B. 2025 Board Meeting dates. Hatton suggested keeping the regular meeting date on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month. He suggested exceptions for March and November, moving to the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of those months. After discussion, the January meeting was also moved to the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday due to the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday. Hatton proposed the following dates for the 2025 meetings: January 27, February 17, March 24, April 21, May 19, June 16, July 21, August 18, September 15, October 20, November 24, and December 15. Frazier moved and Scott seconded approval to schedule the 2025 board meetings as proposed. The Board was polled and all answered Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

C. 2025 Holiday Closings. Hatton presented a list of proposed closings for holidays and staff training days. Hack moved and Frazier seconded approval of the 2025 Holiday Closings as presented. The Board was polled and all answered Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Eastside Resolution. Hatton presented a proposed Resolution for the transfer of the properties at 421 McClure Road and 410 Morningside Drive, Columbus Indiana from the City of Columbus to BCPL. Discussion ensued regarding the transfer and verbiage of a formal document. No action taken. Discussion was tabled and will be resumed at the December 16 board meeting with an open forum for public comment.

### Reports

#### A. Director's Report.

- 850 Budget presented
- Strategic Plan – Pillars and Goals
- Functional Teams

### Public Comment – 3 minutes per speaker

Positive comments regarding the Fall Festival and the Friends of the Library Book Sale which took in approximately \$3,000.

### New Business

Hatton reminded the Board that the next meeting will be December 16.

### Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

Attested:

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Laura Hack, Secretary

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Gary Gron, President