

**AURORA PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES
APRIL 28, 2021**

Public Act 100-0640 amends the Open Meetings Act to expressly authorize public bodies to meet remotely in certain circumstances without the otherwise required quorum present at the meeting place. The new law requires the head of the public body determine that an in-person meeting is not practical or prudent because of a disaster. At least one member of the public body or the Chief Administrator Officer or the Chief Legal Officer must be physically present at the meeting place unless it is not feasible because of the disaster. Michaela Haberkern is present at the library. The library is partially open today, so it is feasible for her to be there. The meeting will be recorded and will be available on the library’s website for 30 days and will be archived in our Administrative offices thereafter. The meeting was held via Zoom and viewable on the library’s Facebook page. As with all open meetings we provide space for public comments in accordance with the law. For the purposes of this virtual meeting we asked the public to submit their comments via email or voice messages.

CALL TO ORDER: at 6:02 p.m.

President Andrew Smith stated in accordance with the Government Emergency Administrative Act PA100-0640, the Aurora Public Library District Board of Trustees find an in-person meeting is not practical or prudent because of the ongoing public health emergency and believes it is in the library’s best interest to hold a virtual meeting to perform essential business.

Present: Trustees Delia Nila Basile, Jeff Butler, Joe Filapek, Melinda Riddick, John Savage, Eva Serrano, Andrew Smith

Absent: None

Also present were Executive Director Michaela Haberkern, Deputy Director Tom Spicer, Director of Neighborhood Services Heather Sturm, Human Resources Manager Brenda Blough, Administrative Assistant Kim Gautschi

ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: None

MINUTES OF March 24, 2021 BOARD MEETING:

Delia Nila Basile moved, seconded by Joe Filapek to approve the minutes of the March 24, 2021 Board Meeting.

Yes: Basile, Butler, Filapek, Riddick, Savage, Serrano, Smith

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

BOARD MEETING 3-24-21 MINUTES APPROVED



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT: Michaela Haberkern has met with the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion team and consultant twice to review results from RGW’s policy review and the cultural agility assessment the managers took. The consultants had generally positive feedback about most of our policies, including that they are up to date. There were some curiosities and questions about how they are developed and who they effect as well as some suggestions for improvement. The consultants did ask how we involve the community in policy development. Like most libraries, we really do not. We will begin to develop ways to get community input as we revise these policies over the next several months.

We are not ready to make a recommendation on the consortium decision at this point. We are close to making a decision and will be bringing that to the new board.

We have postponed Step 2 of our reopening plan for a couple of weeks and now see the numbers are going in the right direction. We are hopeful that we will be able to hit the June 1 target for a restoration of full hours and services. We will continue to provide as much service safely as we can in the community.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: There was one comment from the community thanking the departing board for its services as well as thanking those who are continuing.

NEW BUSINESS:

Approval of March-April Bills

Jeff Butler moved, seconded by John Savage to approve the monthly expenditures as listed on the Authorization Sheet for the period March 24, 2021 to April 28, 2021 in the amount of \$865,272.36.

Roll call on motion:

Yes: Basile, Butler, Filapek, Riddick, Savage, Serrano, Smith

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

PAYMENT OF BILLS 3-25-21 TO 4-28-21 APPROVED

Questions on bills:

Transfer of funds from the Technology Fund? It has not occurred. We have been in touch with the City and will continue to do so.

Unique Management Services and Curbside Communicator – The company is cloud based texting service we use for curbside delivery. There has been an issue receiving invoices online from Unique, but we believe this



issue has been resolved. The amount in question was for several months of service.

Deductible for auto collision- The union contract states we will pay a deductible up to \$500 if a personal vehicle is used for library business. An employee was delivering/picking up equipment from another branch location when a utility cart damaged the car due to high winds.

RESOLUTION APPOINTING BRENDA BLOUGH AS THE ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT FUND AUTHORIZED AGENT FOR THE AURORA PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

Delia Nila Basile moved, seconded by Melinda Riddick to approve Resolution 2021-1 Appointing Brenda Blough as the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund Authorized Agent for the Aurora Public Library District.

Yes: Basile, Butler, Filapek, Riddick, Savage, Serrano, Smith

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION 2021-1 APPOINTING BRENDA BLOUGH AS THE ILLINOIS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT FUND AGENT FOR THE AURORA PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT APPROVED

Resolutions

Michaela Haberkern expressed her thanks to the board on behalf of the community and the library staff.

Resolution honoring Delia Nila Basile

Eva Serrano moved, seconded by John Savage to approve resolution honoring Delia Nila Basile.

Roll call on motion:

Yes: Basile, Butler, Filapek, Riddick, Savage, Serrano, Smith

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION HONORING DELIA NILA BASILE APPROVED

Resolution honoring Jeffry Butler

Delia Nila Basile moved, seconded by Melinda Riddick to approve resolution honoring Jeffry Butler.

Roll call on motion:

Yes: Basile, Butler, Filapek, Riddick, Savage, Serrano, Smith

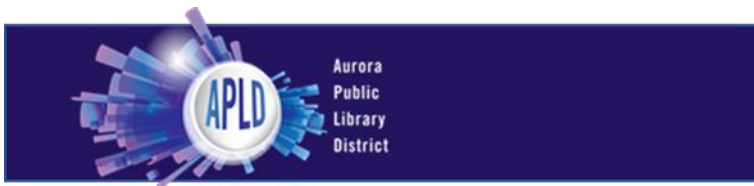
No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION HONORING JEFFRY BUTLER APPROVED



Resolution honoring John Savage

Jeff Butler moved, seconded by John Savage to approve resolution honoring John Savage.

Roll call on motion:

Yes: Basile, Butler, Filapek, Riddick, Savage, Serrano, Smith

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION HONORING JOHN SAVAGE APPROVED

Resolution honoring Eva Serrano

Delia Nila Basile moved, seconded by Melinda Riddick to approve resolution honoring Eva Serrano.

Roll call on motion:

Yes: Basile, Butler, Filapek, Riddick, Savage, Serrano, Smith

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION HONORING EVA SERRANO APPROVED

Resolution honoring Andrew Smith

John Savage moved, seconded by Delia Nila Basile to approve resolution honoring Andrew Smith.

Roll call on motion:

Yes: Basile, Butler, Filapek, Riddick, Savage, Serrano, Smith

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

RESOLUTION HONORING ANDREW SMITH APPROVED

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Joe Filapek, seconded by Delia Nila Basile, to adjourn to Executive Session at 6:47 p.m. to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)) and discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21)).

Roll call on motion:

Yes: Basile, Butler, Filapek, Riddick, Savage, Serrano, Smith

No: None



Abstain: None
Absent: None
Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT TO EXECUTIVE SESSION APPROVED

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Eva Serrano, seconded by Joe Filapek, the board voted unanimously by roll call to adjourn executive session at 7:13 p.m.

Roll call on motion:

Yes: Basile, Butler, Filapek, Riddick, Savage, Serrano, Smith

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion carried

ADJOURNED EXECUTIVE SESSION APPROVED

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

Joe Filapek moved, seconded by Eva Serrano to return to Open Session at 7:14 p.m.

Roll call on motion:

Yes: Basile, Butler, Filapek, Riddick, Savage, Serrano, Smith

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion Carried

MOTION TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION APPROVED

APPROVAL TO RELEASE PORTIONS OF THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 23, 2020 EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

On a motion by Delia Nila Basile, seconded by Jeff Butler, the board voted unanimously approve the executive session minutes for March 24, 2021.

Roll call on motion:

Yes: Basile, Butler, Filapek, Riddick, Savage, Serrano, Smith

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion carried

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF MARCH 24, 2021, EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES



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ADJOURNMENT

Jeff Butler moved, seconded by John Savage, the board voted unanimously to adjourn at 7:15 p.m.

Roll call on motion:

Yes: Basile, Butler, Filapek, Riddick, Savage, Serrano, Smith

No: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT
CERTIFIED TO BE A TRUE COPY**

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Secretary, Board of Trustees