

Greenwood Public Library  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
August 9, 2023

Members attending in person: Lori Feller, Josh Jackson, Carmen Madsen, Tamara Russell, Shan Rutherford, Nathan Ellis,

Members attending electronically: None

Members absent: Lew Gregory

Other attendees: Cheryl Dobbs, Kevin Hoover, Emily Ellis, Karen Jewell, Lynn Johnson, Linda Messick, Julia Reynolds, Anna Roberts

Attending electronically: None

Unavailable: Donna Ciriello

Call to Order: Lori Feller called the August 2023 meeting of the Greenwood Public Library Board of Trustees to order at 6 p.m.

Carmen Madsen led the Pledge of Allegiance and Shan Rutherford conducted the invocation.

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

Minutes of the July meeting were reviewed. Shan Rutherford moved to approve the minutes, Josh Jackson seconded, and the minutes of the July 11, 2023 board meeting were approved by unanimous voice vote

Old Business:

Board Correspondence: Cheryl Dobbs distributed letters to the board members dated July 26, 2023 from Jeannine Myers, City Clerk, advising of the approval of a 10 year tax abatement for construction of a medical office at 845 N Emerson Ave.

Attorney's Update: None

Finance Committee Report: Tamara Russell reported that the Finance Committee met just before the board meeting on August 9, 2023. All fund accounts were in balance. Carmen Madsen signed off on all bank balances.

The state audit requires one last piece of info. Cheryl will meet with the DLGF rep next week.

Review of Accounts Payable and Treasurer's Report

Carmen Madsen noted that all liabilities have been recognized, checks have been written and signed, and payments will be made on time.

Carmen Madsen moved to approve, Tamara Russell seconded, and the Treasurer's Report was approved by signature.

New Business:

Finance Committee: 2024 Budget

Lori Feller shared that the 2024 Budget is based on a 4% growth quotient. Cost of living increases will sustain the library needs. Only expect to spend \$200K of the \$800K Rainy Day appropriation.

These minutes acknowledge the Board's review of the Budget.

The official hearing will be held at the September meeting, and the final approval will take place at the October meeting.

July Reports:

Director's Report

Cheryl Dobbs shared that her recent conversations with every employee have been very informative and will contribute to the strategic planning process. She has also been interviewing for the four open reference department positions.

The Evergreen transit situation continues to be a huge mess. The new contractor is working through the huge backlog they inherited, resulting in continuing inconsistent service and long delays. Patrons are being kept informed.

Community Relations Specialist's Report

Big news is the library being awarded the Johnson County Community Foundation Big Grant for our request "Early Literacy with Fable the Fox." The award brings \$20K towards the redesign of the library's atrium and storytime rooms in the Kid's Department.

Julia Reynolds also shared plans for the upcoming Booked for the Evening event.

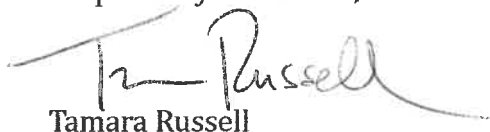
Reports: Department managers provided reports on their activities.

Other Business: None

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: Lori Feller adjourned the meeting at 6:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tamara Russell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Tamara Russell

Secretary