

LONG BEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON DECEMBER 10, 2014

PRESENT:

Carol Arnone, President

Alan Greenberg, Vice President

Kathleen Dwyer, Trustee

Warren Vegh, Trustee

Diane Parr, Trustee

George Trepp, Library Director

Michael Simon, Assistant Director

David Baram, Attorney

ABSENT WITH NOTICE:

Jill Lessard, Administrative Assistant

Trustee Arnone called the meeting to order at 7:12p.m.

- **Agenda Item I** : MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 19, 2014 MEETING were moved for adoption by Trustee Vegh, second by Trustee Greenberg, and approved as corrected by Trustees Vegh, Greenberg, Arnone, and Parr. Trustee Dwyer abstained from the vote.
- **Agenda Item II** : WARRANTS 964, 965, and 966 were moved for approval by Trustee Vegh, second by Trustee Parr, and unanimously accepted.
- **Agenda Item III** : DIRECTOR'S REPORT
 - ITEM #1 – WEST END BRANCH CARPETING – Trustee Vegh motioned to table this item, second by Trustee Arnone, and unanimously accepted.
 - ITEM #2 – POINT LOOKOUT SIGNAGE – After discussion amongst the Board and the public regarding sign construction and material (single sided, PVC), colors (blue background, white text), placement (on lawn, facing north to south), and size (4'W x 2'H, 6' posts driven 2' into ground), the item was motioned for approval by Trustee Parr, second by Trustee Vegh, and unanimously accepted.

OF NOTE ● *The Director advised that as a courtesy, he would contact John MacDonald with the proposed signage to ensure it meets with his approval. The Director also advised that concerns re: wheelchair accessibility in the Point Branch had been addressed by Bob MacDonald, as the brick pavers were expanded to allow access. The Director will follow up with Mr. MacDonald to ensure the Point Branch is now in compliance with handicapped access. Finally, the Director mentioned the upcoming increases to the NYS Retirement program and to the NYS Health Insurance Plan, and the as yet unknown possible budgetary implications* ●

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- **Agenda Item IV** : CORRESPONDENCE – Trustee Arnone received a Thank You note from Naomi Diracles of the Long Beach Art League, in response to the Board’s addressing gallery lighting concerns.

- **Agenda Item V** : OLD BUSINESS
 - ITEM #1 – POINT LOOKOUT FLOOD INSURANCE - After discussion amongst the Board and comments by the public, Trustee Dwyer moved to accept the \$200,000 Contents Policy, with a \$1,000 deductible, at a yearly cost of \$3,982. Second by Trustee Vegh. Trustees Vegh, Greenberg and Dwyer voted in favor; Trustees Arnone and Parr voted against.

- **Agenda Item VI** : NEW BUSINESS
 - ITEM #1 – Trustee Dwyer proposed that the Board meet on Saturday mornings (11a.m.) during the next few months as a trial, in an attempt to bolster public interest and attendance. Trustees Vegh and Greenberg advised they would not be able to attend due to prior obligations: Trustee Dwyer therefore withdrew her proposal.

- **Agenda Item VII** – GOOD AND WELFARE
 - ITEM #1 – Discussion amongst the Board and the public focused on programming for the Main and Point Branches.
 - a) Main –
 - i. A patron thanked the Board for assisting with the age requirements for a children’s program.
 - ii. Trustee Dwyer had some questions and comments regarding the Programming offerings and statistics for November 2014
 - b) Point –
 - i. The Board advised that the current program schedule will remain.

- **Agenda Item VIII** – CSEA

- **Agenda Item IX** – PERSONNEL
 - ITEM #1 – CONFIRMATION OF ADMINISTRATION’S RETIREMENT HEALTH INSURANCE BENEFIT – regards an Administration retirement resolution adopted by a previous Board, that could not be located in minutes. The current Board had some concerns

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about the resolution in its current format. It was suggested by Mr. Baram that the Director draft a new, more specific resolution and present it at the next meeting. Consideration of the matter to be tabled until next board meeting.

○ **Agenda Item X** – DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING –

Wednesday, January 21, 2014 6:30 p.m. – Public Session

Wednesday, January 21, 2014 6:31 p.m. – Executive Session

○ **Agenda Item XI** – ADJOURNMENT – Trustee Vegh moved for Adjournment at 8:15 p.m., second by Trustee Greenberg, and unanimously approved.