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Kansas City Public Library Board of Trustees Regular Meeting – September 19, 2017

The Board of Trustees of the Kansas City Public Library, pursuant to official notification, met Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 4:30 p.m. at the Central Library, 14 West 10th Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jonathan Kemper, President
Marilou Joyner
Rose Marie Bell
Billie Howard Barnes
Leon Dixon
Laura Dominik
Olivia Dorsey
Susie Kenney

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT: Claudia Oñate Greim

STAFF PRESENT: Crosby Kemper III, Chief Executive
Reed Beebe, Purchasing Manager
Melissa Carle, Director of Information Systems
Carrie Coogan, Deputy Director for Public Affairs and
Community Engagement
Elizabeth Eddings, Administrative Officer
Crystal Faris, Director of Youth & Family Engagement
Kathleen Hinton, Finance Manager
Joel Jones, Deputy Director of Library Services
Debbie Siragusa, Deputy Director of Administration / Chief
Financial Officer
Karen Weitzel, Director of Human Resources
Steve Woolfolk, Assistant Director of Public Affairs
Heather Zoellner, Executive Assistant / Manager of Executive
Services

OTHERS PRESENT: Tom Platt
Bronwyn Werner
Bill Robbins

J. Kemper called the meeting to order at 4:36 p.m.

J. Kemper opened the public hearing for the 2017 property tax rate and the final 2017 – 2018 budget and asked for questions and comments. There was no response from the public and J. Kemper closed the public hearing.

Motion by Bell to approve the minutes of the August 22, 2017 Finance and Audit and August 22, 2017 regular Board meeting. Second by Howard Barnes. Approved unanimously. (Note: As a matter of Board convention, the Chair votes only when his/her vote would affect the outcome of the vote. In all "recorded" votes, the vote of the Chair appears only when it has actually been cast and when it has had an effect on the disposition of the motion. Notations of "approved unanimously" mean all members, other than the Chair, voting affirmatively.)

Joyner reported on the September 19th Finance and Audit Committee, noting that the Committee voted to recommend the proposed Ad Valorem Tax Levy for Tax Year 2017 and proposed final Library Operating Budget for 2017-2018.

Motion by Dorsey to approve the Consent Agenda items before the Board. Second by Bell. Approved unanimously. The following items were approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

Move approval of the recommendation of the Chief Executive to authorize the following expenditures for August 2017: Payroll (08/17/17 net cash \$222,913 plus taxes \$88,649) and (08/31/17 net cash \$232,666 plus taxes \$93,140) and (09/14/17 net cash \$222,225 plus taxes \$87,990), total amount of \$947,583; General Expense Payments including Checks (#171643-171915), in the amount of \$1,151,912. (LBM 4221)

Move approval of the recommendation of the Chief Executive to accept the attached financial reports for August 2017. (LBM 4222)

Motion by Joyner to approve the recommendation of the Chief Executive and the Finance and Audit Committee to fix the Library's 2017 ad valorem tax rate at 45.34 cents per \$100 assessed valuation pursuant to the provisions of 67.110 RSMo. (NOTE: As this action was recommended by the Finance and Audit Committee, no second was needed.) Approved unanimously. (LBM 4223)

Motion by Joyner to approve the recommendation of the Chief Executive and the Finance and Audit Committee to adopt a final 2017-2018 Library Operating Budget General Fund of \$19,335,212 and approve changes as noted on the attached schedules. (NOTE: As this action was recommended by the Finance and Audit Committee, no second was needed.) Approved unanimously. (LBM 4224)

Motion by Dixon to approve the recommendation of the Chief Executive to authorize the purchase of desktop computers from World Wide Technology, Inc. ("World Wide Technology") at an amount not to exceed \$150,000. Second by Barnes. Approved unanimously. (LBM 4225)

Motion by Dorsey to approve the recommendation of the Chief Executive to finalize a contract with Infinity Services, LLC for the construction of a digital media lab space as part of the Southeast Branch renovation for a total cost not to exceed \$230,000. Second by Bell. Approved unanimously. (LBM 4226)

Kenney joined 4:46 p.m.

C. Kemper introduced Bronwyn Werner who updated the Board on the positive outcome of the trial for charges brought against Library employee, Steve Woolfolk.

C. Kemper discussed the Director's Report with the Board. (LBM 4227)

The meeting adjourned at 5:38 p.m.

Secretary

Date