

MINUTES

Kansas City Public Library Board of Trustees Regular Meeting – January 26, 2016

The Board of Trustees of the Kansas City Public Library, pursuant to official notification, met Tuesday, January 26, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. at the Central Library, 14 West 10th Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jonathan Kemper, President
David Mayta
Billie Howard Barnes
Leon Dixon
Olivia Dorsey
Claudia Oñate Greim
Marilou Joyner

MEMBERS ABSENT: Rose Marie Bell

STAFF PRESENT: Crosby Kemper III, Chief Executive
Reed Beebe, Purchasing Manager
Michael Bollinger, Director of Information Technology
Teresa Bolton, Assistant Director / Customer Services Manager
Melissa Carle, Library Systems and Service Program Manager
Carrie Coogan, Director of Public Affairs & Community of
Readers
Elizabeth Eddings, Administrative Officer
Crystal Faris, Director of Youth & Family Engagement
Kathleen Hinton, Finance Manager
Jerry Houchins, Operations Manager
Joel Jones, Deputy Director of Library Services
Cheptoo Kositany-Buckner, Deputy Director of Strategic
Initiatives
David LaCrone, Digital Branch Manager
Kristin Nelson, Director of Development
Eli Paul, Special Collections Manager
Debbie Siragusa, Deputy Director of Administration / Chief
Financial Officer
Kaite Stover, Director of Reader's Services
Karen Weitzel, Director of Human Resources
Heather Zoellner, Executive Assistant / Manager of Executive
Services

OTHERS PRESENT: Tom Platt
Madaline Walter

J. Kemper called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.

J. Kemper turned over chairmanship of the meeting to the Chief Executive for the election of officers. C. Kemper asked for nominations. **Motion by Dorsey to elect the following slate of officers: Claudia Oñate Greim, Secretary/Treasurer; David Mayta, Vice-President; Jonathan Kemper, President.** C. Kemper asked if there were any other names for consideration. There were none. **The motion to elect the slate of officers as nominated by Dorsey was approved unanimously.** The Chief Executive returned the chairmanship of the meeting to the President.

No changes were made to the Board Calendar for calendar year 2016. (LBM 4080)

Motion by Dixon to approve the minutes of the December 15, 2015 regular Board meeting. Second by Oñate Greim. 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.)

Motion by Dorsey to approve the Consent Agenda items before the Board. Second by Joyner. 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 December 2015: Payroll (12/24/15 net cash \$217,077 plus taxes \$86,550) and (01/07/15 net cash \$214,163 plus taxes \$85,907), total amount of \$603,697; General Expense Payments including Checks (#166508-166778), in the amount of \$1,536,285. (LBM 4081)

Move approval of the recommendation of the Chief Executive to accept the attached financial reports for December 2015. (LBM 4082)

Howard Barnes arrived 4:35 p.m.

Motion by Joyner to approve the recommendation of the Chief Executive to delegate to the Chief Executive authority to contract for 2016 – 2017 E-Rate eligible information technology services and equipment as detailed in the summary. Second by Howard Barnes. Unanimously approved. (LBM 4083)

Motion by Dorsey to approve the recommendation of the Chief Executive to purchase baked goods and other food items for resale from Scratch Bakery KC, LLC ("Scratch Bakery") at an annual cost not to exceed \$18,000. Second by Oñate Greim. Unanimously approved. (LBM 4084)

Motion by Mayta to approve the recommendation of the Chief Executive to purchase WiFi devices from Sprint at an initial cost of \$10,000. Second by Dorsey. Unanimously approved. (LBM 4085)

Kositany-Buckner presented an update on Digital Initiatives at the Library. Digital Initiatives were described as providing a place where the community can compete more effectively for jobs, complete school assignments, improve their health, secure government services, or manage their finances. Highlights from the presentation are as follows: Library advocacy includes the Library Director's service on the Schools, Health & Libraries Broadband Coalition (SHLB) Board and National Digital Inclusion Alliance (NDIA)

involvement. Connectivity, Access and Training includes collaborating with Sprint and the Kansas City Public Schools to provide Mobile Hot Spots.

C. Kemper discussed the Director's Report with the Board. (LBM 4086)

C. Kemper introduced Kim Gile who is the new Community Reference Manager.

Dorsey inquired about Mobile Hot Spot recipient selection as part of new Digital Initiatives. Faris and Kositany-Buckner explained a review process of applications including student essays in cooperation with the Kansas City Public Schools has been implemented. Selected students will have the Mobile Hot Spots checked out to them for one school year. C. Kemper informed best practices are in development for managing the new program.

Motion by Mayta to adjourn. Second by Oñate Greim. Approved unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Secretary

Date