

Minutes of the Ramsey County Library Board of Trustees December 14, 2022

LIBRARY TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Grace Atkins, Claire Chang, Sida, Andrea West, Steve Woods.

STAFF PRESENT:

Pang Yang, Deputy Director; Chuck Wettergren, Digital Services Manager; Maggie Soukup, Library Board Coordinator.

OTHERS:

Victoria Reinhardt, Ramsey County Commissioner; Johanna Berg, Deputy County Manager; Mary Worley, Executive Director, Ramsey County Library Friends.

CALL TO ORDER:

Woods called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chang made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. West seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

West made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Atkins seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

STRATEGIC PLAN 2:00

Yang shared the strategic priorities as well as the three sub priorities for each section. She reminded the Trustees that this is a high-level overview, and that the communications department would be working on the formatting and language to ensure that the document is easily digestible for readers. Pang explained that this document should flexible and responsive to the community needs over the next three years.

Trustee Atkins lead a discussion centered around feedback on the document. They asked the Trustees to share their thoughts on the priorities, success measures, descriptions, and the rationales.

Atkins made a motion to endorse the priorities and sub priorities as presented. West seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

To view the discussion in its entirety, follow this link (2:00).

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RAMSEY COUNTY BOARD LIAISON REPORT

Commissioner Reinhardt thanked the outgoing Trustees for their commitment and service to the Library Board and community. She also thanked the Trustees for their work on strategic plan. She acknowledged that this is a milestone and a great accomplishment for the board.

Her entire report can be found by following this link (45:12).

DEPUTY COUNTY MANAGER UPDATE

Presented by Deputy County Manager Berg. Her update can be found by following this link. (47:55)

RAMSEY COUNTY LIBRARY FRIENDS UPDATE

Presented by Executive Director Mary Worley. Her update can be found by following this link. (49:46)

PERFORMACE MEASURES

Deputy County Manger Berg led a follow up conversation from the November meeting centered around what measures Trustees would like to see continue in the next biennium. She also asked Trustees to identify information that was presented at each meeting that they found helpful and information that could be eliminated or condensed to an annual report.

To view the discussion in its entirety, follow this link. (54:30)

2023 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETINGS DATES

Deputy County Manger Berg suggested to use the January meeting as a welcome and orientation workshop for the 2023 Trustees. The workshop would allow the new Trustees to become familiar with the other Trustees, meet county and library staff, and have a better understanding of the board processes and what is expected of the officer positions. Berg clarified that from a county perspective there is nothing that needs to be voted on during the January meeting and that any official business can be held until the February meeting.

West made a motion to approve the proposed 2023 meeting dates with the location removed. Change seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

West made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:55pm. Atkins seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.