

APPROVED AUGUST 22, 2024

Evanston Public Library Board of Trustees

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, July 17, 2024 at 6:30 PM
Main Library, Community Meeting Room and remote

Members Present

Arikpo Dada, Tracy Fulce, Cate Huggins, Kathryn Hazelett, Michelle Mills, Meghan Shea, Terry Soto and Esther Wallen.

Members Absent

None

Staff Present

Heather Norborg, Sameer Notta and Yolande Wilburn

Presiding Member

Tracy Fulce, President

Call to order/Declaration of Quorum

President Fulce called the meeting to order when a quorum of Trustees was established at 6:33 p.m.

Land Acknowledgement

Read by Trustee Fulce

Citizen Comment

None

Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes May 15, 2024
- B. Approval of Finance Committee Meeting Minutes July 9, 2024
- C. Approval of Bills and Payroll

Motion: Moved by Trustee Soto, seconded by Trustee Hazelett to approve the consent agenda.

Roll call vote taken Trustee Dada, Trustee Fulce, Trustee Huggins, Trustee Hazelett, Trustee Mills, Trustee Shea, Trustee Soto and Trustee Wallen voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.

Amended Agenda Items

A. Approval to amend the agenda to approve the election of board officers.

Motion: Moved by Trustee Wallen, seconded by Trustee Huggins to approve the election of board officers.

Roll call vote taken Trustee Dada, Trustee Fulce, Trustee Huggins, Trustee Hazelett, Trustee Mills, Trustee Shea, Trustee Soto and Trustee Wallen voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.

B. Approval to amend the agenda to include the Finance Committee report.

Motion: Moved by Trustee Hazelett, seconded by Trustee Shea to approve to include the Finance Committee report,

Roll call vote taken Trustee Dada, Trustee Fulce, Trustee Huggins, Trustee Hazelett, Trustee Mills, Trustee Shea, Trustee Soto and Trustee Wallen voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.

Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (Joint Task Force):

A. Racial Equity Task Force (No report)

Library Director's Report

- A. Mid-Year Budget Review Presentation by Sameer Notta
- B. Mid-Year Development postponed to the August meeting

Staff Report

- A. Administrative Services Report (Distributed in Advance)
- B. Presentation: Matt Weis, President & CEO of National Able Network, Inc.

Board Reports

- A. Finance Committee
- B. Management Committee
- C. Facilities Committee

Unfinished Business

A. Nominating Committee slate of candidates (Discussion and Approval)

Motion: Moved by Trustee Huggins, seconded by Trustee Mills to approve the Nominating Committee slate of candidates. (Trustee Fulce as President, Trustee Dada as Vice-President, Trustee Wallen as Secretary and Trustee Hazelett as Treasurer.)

Roll call vote taken Trustee Dada, Trustee Fulce, Trustee Huggins, Trustee Hazelett, Trustee Mills, Trustee Shea, Trustee Soto and Trustee Wallen voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.

New Business

A. National Able lease renewal (Discussion and Action)

Motion: Moved by Trustee Wallen, seconded by Trustee Mills to renew the National Able lease.

Roll call vote taken Trustee Dada, Trustee Fulce, Trustee Huggins, Trustee Hazelett, Trustee Mills, Trustee Shea, Trustee Soto and Trustee Wallen voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.



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B. Moody Nolan Contract for Facility & Programming Assessment, with Construction Budget Motion: Moved by Trustee Hazelett, seconded by Trustee Shea to approve the Moody Nolan contract for Facility and Programming Assessment with a Construction Budget estimate.

Roll call vote taken Trustee Dada, Trustee Fulce, Trustee Huggins, Trustee Hazelett, Trustee Mills, Trustee Shea, Trustee Soto and Trustee Wallen voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.

Executive Session

Motion: Moved by Trustee Fulce, seconded by Trustee Mills to go into executive session for personnel matters.

Roll call vote taken Trustee Dada, Trustee Fulce, Trustee Huggins, Trustee Hazelett, Trustee Mills, Trustee Shea, Trustee Soto and Trustee Wallen voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.

Motion: Moved by Trustee Mills, seconded by Trustee Huggins to out into executive session for personnel matters.

Roll call vote taken Trustee Dada, Trustee Fulce, Trustee Huggins, Trustee Hazelett, Trustee Mills, Trustee Shea, Trustee Soto and Trustee Wallen voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.

Adjournment

MOTION: Moved by Trustee Shea seconded by Trustee Mills, to adjourn. A voice vote was taken. All ayes. No nays. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

Roll call vote taken Trustee Dada, Trustee Fulce, Trustee Huggins, Trustee Hazelett, Trustee Mills, Trustee Shea, Trustee Soto and Trustee Wallen voted aye. No nays. Motion carried.

Submitted by

Terry Soto, Secretary Evanston Public Library Board of Trustees