

Evanston Public Library Board of Trustees

MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, October 16, 2024 at 6:30 PM

Main Library, Community Meeting Room, and remote

Members Present

Samia Amamoo (Virtually arrived at 6:52 pm), Arikpo Dada, Tracy Fulce, Kathryn Hazelett, Cate Huggins (Virtually arrived at 6:38 pm), Michelle Mills, Meghan Shea, Terry Soto, and Esther Wallen.

Members Absent

None

Staff Present

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 6:31 p.m.

Land Acknowledgement

Read by Trustee Soto

Citizen Comment

None

Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Management Committee Meeting Minutes September 18, 2024
- B. Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes September 18, 2024
- C. Approval of Facilities Committee Meeting Minutes September 25, 2024
- D. Approval of Finance Committee Meeting Minutes October 8, 2024
- E. Approval of Bills and Payroll

Motion: Moved by Trustee Wallen, seconded by Trustee Dada, to amend the minutes and management subcommittee minutes.

Motion: Moved by Mills seconded by Trustee Shea to approve the minutes with edits.

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

Truth in Taxation Hearing

no public comment

Library Director's Report

(Distributed in Advance)

Staff Report

- A. Administrative Services Report (Distributed in Advance)
- B. Neiger Design Group Branding Presentation (Discussion and Action)
Motion: Moved by Trustee Mills, seconded by Trustee Shea, to approve the consultancy to move with concept A with changes that may include the color palette; passes 7-2.

Roll call vote taken Trustee Dada, Trustee Fulce, Trustee Huggins, Trustee Mills, Trustee Shea, Trustee Soto, and Trustee Wallen voted aye. Two nays, Trustee Amamoo and Trustee Hazelett. Motion carried.

- C. Moody Nolan Presentation (Accept and File Reports)
Motion: Moved by Trustee Soto, seconded by Trustee Mills, to accept and file Moody Nolan's report.

Roll call vote taken Trustee Amamoo, Trustee Dada, Trustee Fulce, Trustee Hazelett, Trustee Mills, Trustee Shea, Trustee Soto, and Trustee Wallen voted aye. No nays. Motion carried. Trustee Huggins left the meeting at 8:20 pm.

Board Reports

- A. President's Report
- B. Finance Committee
- C. Management Committee
- D. Facilities Committee

Unfinished Business

- A. Approval of the 2025 Proposed Library Expenditure Budget (Action)
Motion: Moved by Trustee Hazelett, seconded by Trustee Shea, to approve the 2025 proposed library expenditure budget.

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

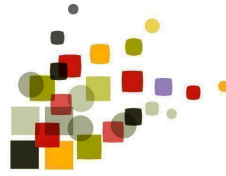
- B. Preliminary Tax Levy Estimate (Discussion)

New Business

- A. Approval of the 2025 Board Meeting Schedule (Action)
Motion: Moved by Trustee Shea, seconded by Trustee Soto, to approve the 2025 board meeting schedule.

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

- B. Approval of the 2025 Library Closings Schedule (Action)



Motion: Moved by Trustee Hazelett, seconded by Trustee Mills, to approve the 2025 library closing schedule.

Roll call vote taken Trustee Amamoo, Trustee Dada, Trustee Fulce, 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. Trustee Amamoo left the meeting at 8:32 pm.

Roll call vote taken Trustee Dada, Trustee Fulce, 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 Hazelett, to adjourn the executive session.

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

Adjournment

MOTION: Moved by Trustee Hazelett and seconded by Trustee Dada to adjourn. A voice vote was taken—all ayes. No nays. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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

Submitted by

Esther Wallen, Secretary
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