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Annual Organization Board Meeting Minutes May 14, 2024

Ms. Riales, President, called the Annual Organization Board Meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

Present:

Ms. Felicia Chase
Ms. Mary Clements
Ms. Constance Riales
Mrs. Dorothy Smith
Mr. Reginald Stewart

Absent:

Pastor Horton
Ms. Maria Perez

Also in attendance: Library Director Amy Crump, Administrative Assistant Lili Savage and Library Attorney Dee Jarad. There were five community members present.

Public Comment: None

The appointments of Standing Committees by President has been moved to the June 11, 2024 meeting.

Adjournment of the Annual Organization Meeting: Ms. Clements moved to adjourn the meeting, Mr. Stewart seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

A roll call was taken.

AYES: 5: Ms. Chase, Ms. Clements, Ms. Riales, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Stewart

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN: 0:

ABSENT: 2: Pastor Horton, Ms. Perez

The motion passed.

Regular Board Meeting Minutes
May 14, 2024

Ms. Riales, President, called the Bellwood Public Library Board of Trustees meeting to order at 6:55 p.m.

Present:

Ms. Felicia Chase
Ms. Mary Clements
Ms. Constance Riales
Mrs. Dorothy Smith
Mr. Reginald Stewart

Absent:

Pastor Horton, Ms. Maria Perez

Also in attendance: Library Director Amy Crump, Administrative Assistant Lili Savage and Library Attorney Dee Jarad. There were seven community members present.

A motion was made by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Ms. Clements to suspend the agenda and move #12 Presentation of FY 2022 audit, up before Public Comments.

A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: 5: Ms. Chase, Ms. Clements, Ms. Riales, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Stewart

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN: 0:

ABSENT: 2: Pastor Horton, Ms. Perez

The motion passed.

Public Comment:

1. Public would like to have a copies of the audit presentation.
2. Library should get at least three quotes for new accounting firm.

A motion was made by Ms. Clements, seconded by Ms. Riales to approve the meeting minutes for April 9, 2024.

A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: 5: Ms. Chase, Ms. Clements, Ms. Riales, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Stewart

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN: 0:

ABSENT: 2: Pastor Horton, Ms. Perez

The motion passed.

Finance Committee Report:

Ms. Clements gave the finance report which included: Reports of Bills: #845, 845-A, & 845-B. The following reports of bills were submitted, copies of which are included as part of these

minutes:

#845 (Bill List) in the amount of	\$ 54,092.79
#845-A (Payroll) in the amount of	\$ 85,310.53
#845-B (Checking) in the amount of	\$ 0.00
TOTAL:	\$ 139,403.32

A motion was made by Ms. Chase, seconded by Mr. Stewart for approval of Bills-Reports #845, 845-A, & 845-B. The Treasurer's Report will be filed for audit.

A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: 5: Ms. Chase, Ms. Clements, Ms. Riales, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Stewart

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN: 0:

ABSENT: 2: Pastor Horton, Ms. Perez

The motion passed.

Other Committee Reports:

- a. Administration Committee (Chairman: Trustee Clark-Smith)
 - i. No report.
- b. Building and Grounds Committee (Chairman: Trustee Chase)
 - i. No report.
- c. Finance Committee (Chairman: Treasurer Clements)
 - i. No report
- d. Planning and Development Committee (Chairman: Secretary Stewart)
 - i. No report.
- e. Public Relations and Legislation Committee (President Riales for Chairman: Trustee Perez)
 - i. HB4567 adds library employee to the law against threatening to public officials or human service providers. As of 4/19/24, the bill has been re-directed to Rules Committee.

Unfinished Business:

A motion was made by Ms. Clements, seconded by Mr. Stewart acceptance of FY2022 audit as presented.

A roll call vote was taken.

AYES: 4: Ms. Clements, Ms. Riales, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Stewart

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN: 1: Ms. Chase

ABSENT: 2: Pastor Horton, Ms. Perez

The motion passed.

New Business: None

Communication/Announcements:

1. Library received a thank you card from Karen Yarbrough's family for the flowers.
2. President Riales read Director Crump's resignation letter effective June 7, 2024.
3. Trustee Clements thanked Director Crump for her leadership at the Bellwood Public Library.

Library Director Report: The report is posted on the Bellwood Public Library's web page.

Public Comments

It was stated that the elective officials should not have personal issues.

Be productive and heal relationships on the board.

They need to repair the brokenness of the board.

There is clearly a lot of hurt in relationships that needs to be repaired here and that should be the focus of the board.

There are still concerns by staff about the conditions of working that have led to employee's resignation and termination.

Adjournment: Ms. Clements moved to adjourn the meeting, Ms. Chase seconded the motion.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

A roll call was taken.

AYES: 5: Ms. Chase, Ms. Clements, Ms. Riales, Mrs. Smith, Mr. Stewart

NAYS: 0:

ABSTAIN: 0:

ABSENT: 2: Pastor Horton, Ms. Perez,

The motion passed.

Reginald Stewart, Secretary