

Minutes: Board of Trustees, The Field Library, Monthly meeting

Thursday April 20, 2023

Present: President Most Vice-president Cosentino Treasurer Foster Secretary Douglas Director Brown	Trustees Present: Romeo, Bloom Noble, Galella, Trustees Absent: Smith, Kelley, Alexander Guests Present: Brigham, Srinivasan, Fortina Riley, Ferretti
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Meeting called to order 7:05pm

Previous minutes to meeting March 16, 2023
Moved to be accepted by Foster, seconded by Bloom. Unanimously adopted.

Director's Report: Report accepted as offered.

Treasurer's Report: Current trends are in line with proposed/adopted budget. First quarter difficult to manage with delay in receipt of money from City of Peekskill.

Statistics: Report accepted as offered

WLS Report: New search engine to be introduced May 1, Spanish version also available. Training ongoing on how to deal with the undomiciled population in libraries.

Friends of The Field Library: National Library Giving day very successful- \$2510 raised with several new donors. Meet and greet at Chapel Hill 4/30 to encourage use of library and to issue cards if requested.

Grants: No report

Committee Reports:

Audit: Upcoming meeting with auditor.

Development: Formerly the Fundraising Committee. Met and discussed upcoming Chapel Hill event. Planned STEM lab vision and press release.

Executive Committee: Discussion deferred to Executive Session.

Facilities Committee: Walk through with fire chief to prepare for fire drills.

Finance Committee: Reviewed the 2024 Draft Budget for tax levy.

Governance: By law revisions to be discussed under old business.

Human Resources: no report

Nominating Committee: no report

Old Business:

By law revision tabled for presentation at May meeting pending corrections and additions.

New Business:

Ballot Proposition Resolution

Adoption of Budget Proposition Resolution moved by Galella, seconded by Cosentino.
Unanimously voted

WHEREAS, there has been presented to the Board of Trustees of The Field Library a petition signed by qualified voters of the City of Peekskill in a number exceeding 10 percent of the number of registered voters that voted in the last gubernatorial election, asking that the following question be placed upon the ballot and voted on at the next general election of the City of Peekskill:

SHALL THE ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION OF THE CITY OF PEEKSKILL FOR THE OPERATING BUDGET OF THE FIELD LIBRARY BE INCREASED BY TWO HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS TO THE SUM OF ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED NINETY-EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS ANNUALLY BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2024,

And

WHEREAS, the endorsement of this Board of Trustees of The Field Library is required before such question may be placed upon the ballot

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this Board of Trustees hereby endorses the petition presented to it and directs that the following question be voted on at the next general election of the City of Peekskill:

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Annual Report

Motion to accept Annual Report moved by Romeo, seconded by Galella. Unanimously voted.

Moved to adjourn to Executive Session 8:25 pm. Moved by Bloom, seconded by Romeo. Unanimously voted. Purposes of Executive Session to discuss board members' attendance at meetings.

Moved to adjourn 8:52pm
Moved by Foster, seconded by Noble, Unanimously voted.

Next meeting May 18, ,2023