

**The Urbana Free Library Board of Trustees  
Minutes of a Regular Meeting  
Held on Tuesday, March 12, 2024**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Urbana Free Library Board of Trustees met in the Lewis Auditorium of The Urbana Free Library on Tuesday, March 12, 2024. The meeting was called to order by the President, Dan Urban, at 7:00 p.m.

**ATTENDANCE**

Present: Rob Bennett, Glen Layne-Worthey, Liz Sands, Beth Scheid, and Dan Urban

Absent: Erica Bellina, Shirese Hursey, and Brandyn Mason

Staff present: Rose Barnes, Dawn Cassady, Rachel Fuller, and Celeste Moutos

Also present: Liara Aber

**ADDITIONS, CORRECTIONS, MODIFICATIONS OF THE AGENDA**

None.

**APPROVE THE AGENDA**

It was moved by Beth Scheid, seconded by Glen Layne-Worthey and passed unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**PRESENTATIONS**

The new Collections Manager, Rose Barnes, introduced herself to the Board.

Rachel Fuller explained to the Board that staff hope to accomplish two goals during the Library's 150<sup>th</sup> celebration, to celebrate the Library's history and to increase use. They will be using challenges, programs, exhibits, and promotions to work towards these goals.

Dawn Cassady reviewed chapter 3, Personnel, and chapter 4, Access, from *Serving Our Public 4.0 Standards for Illinois Public Libraries*. The Library meets the standards for both of these chapters. Dawn noted that the Library has completed staff evaluations since she last reported on chapter 3.

**ACTION ITEMS (CONSENT AGENDA)**

Being that Dan Urban asked and saw that there were no requests to separate the items, it was moved by Glen Layne-Worthey, seconded by Liz Sands, and passed by unanimously to approve the consent agenda as presented.

**ACTION ITEMS (INDIVIDUAL)**

It was moved by Beth Scheid, seconded by Rob Bennett, and passed unanimously to accept Resolution 2024-04 to approve the agreement between Consolidated Communications, Inc., and The Urbana Free Library.

**DISCUSSION ITEM**

Glen Layne-Worthey gave a presentation on “An Academic Digital Library for the Public”. He explained why and how the HathiTrust Digital Library was created and how it can be used.

**REPORTS OF LIAISON OFFICERS**

*Friends of the Library*

Liz Sands reported that the Friends of the Library raised \$2,143 at the March book sale. The next book sale will be in July.

*The Urbana Free Library Foundation*

Daniel Urban reported that the Foundation has a new treasurer. The Foundation has been working on two separate \$10,000 donations and has received one of them.

*Illinois Heartland Library System*

Rob Bennett thanked Celeste Moutos for sending out the iLead link for Board training and encouraged Board members to look at look into it.

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

Rachel Fuller reported that during National Library week passengers may ride the MTD for free when they show their library card thanks to collaboration between The Urbana Free Library, the Champaign Public Library, and the Mass Transit District.

**BOARD AND COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None.

**BOARD PRESIDENT REPORT**

Dan Urban pointed out the very nice thank you note to the Library staff in the Library Board packet this month.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

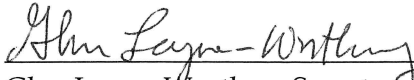
**NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

It was moved by Liz Sands and seconded by Rob Bennett to adjourn at 7:36 p.m.

  
Becky Brown, Recorder

  
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Glen Layne-Worthey, Secretary *pro tem*

Date Approved: 4/9/2024

Supplementary information is available in the Board packet of March 12, 2024.  
This meeting was taped for later broadcast.