

**Meeting Minutes
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
May 8,2023 —4:00pm
Old Town Library – 201 Peterson Street**

Board Members Present:

Fred Colby
Josh Fudge
Randyn Heisserer-Miller
Hilary Herrmann
Corey Radman
Anuja Riles
Matt Schild

Board Members Absent:

Staff Present:

Xochil Arellano	Diane Lapierre
Katie Auman	Erin Lucero
Holly Bucks	Amy Lyons
Kristen Draper	Jamie Moyer
Ken Draves	Selena Paulsen
Mark Huber	Rob Stansbury
Cynthia Langren	Molly Thompson

Others in Attendance:

Elizabeth Dauer, Legal (virtual)
Laura Puls, FRCC
Robin Gard, FOL
Monica Gavin, FOL

I. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM

President Schild called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and declared a quorum present.

II. AGENDA REVIEW

No changes to the agenda.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

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Trustee Riles moved to approve the minutes as presented. There was a second by Trustee Colby. The motion carried unanimously, 7 – 0.

V. REPORTS

a. Director’s Report – Diane Lapierre

Executive Director Lapierre asked if there were any questions about her written report. There were none. The report was accepted as presented.

Rebranding Update: Ms. Auman presented an update on the new brand for the Library District. She went over the process phases 1 – 5 and noted that its currently in phase 5: Campaign and content. The new logo and colors were revealed.

She noted that there are four ways to know if staff succeeded in fulfilling their goals for rebranding project: customer experience, growing cardholders, customer engagement, and awareness.

While the name has been shortened to “Poudre Libraries,” the legal name remains the same – Poudre River Public Library District. Trustee Colby suggested that staff officially register “Poudre Libraries” just in case.

b. Financial Report – Lyons

Ms. Lyons presented the financial report.

There was a motion by Trustee Colby to approve the report as presented. Second was made by Trustee Heisserer-Miller. The motion carried by unanimous vote, 7 – 0.

Ms. Lyons then presented an update on the various proposals at the State level to address steep increases in property values and corresponding property taxes over the past few years, including SB 23-303, Property Tax Proposal. Trustee Fudge also provided detailed information to the board on this topic.

c. Legal Status Report - Dauer

Ms. Dauer referred to the Options for Funding Future Facilities Development portion of the written legal report. She briefed the board on the three options: Cash on Hand, General: Obligation Bonds, and Lease/Purchase with or without Certificates of Participation (COP). She recommended the lease/purchase financing as the best option adding that nearly all of their library district clients have financed facilities in this manner, and it is common throughout Colorado.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Partnership Policy, Second Reading – Paulsen

Development Officer Paulsen presented the proposed new partnership policy with revisions based on feedback from the first reading. There was no discussion. ***There was a motion by Trustee Colby to approve the revised Partnership Policy as presented. There was a second by Trustee Riles and the motion carried unanimously, 7 – 0.***

b. Retreat Planning – Lapierre

Executive Director Lapierre reminded the board that the retreat is scheduled for June 22 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and will be held at Tamasag. She distributed a draft agenda and reviewed it with the board.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

a. Southeast Location Update - *Lapierre*

Ms. Lapierre provided background information for the benefit of new members and then gave an update on the status of the project. The Library District is still interested in partnering with the City and the Poudre School District on this and continues to await word about next steps.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. Friends of the Library Presentation – *Gard and Gavin*

Monica Gavin, president of the Friends of the Library board, gave a presentation on the Friends that covered: where each of their facilities are, the processes they follow and their budget. Robin Gard, Vice President of the FOL, was also present and on hand for questions.

b. Library Trust Update – *Heisserer-Miller*

No report due to no meeting.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Langren
Recording Secretary

Randyn Heisserer-Miller
Secretary/Treasurer