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BOARD OF TRUSTEES
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Committee of the Whole Meeting

Monday, July 21, 2025

President Lee Maternowski called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

Trustees present: Tim Burns, Isela Catania, Eileen Valentino, Mary Vitale, and Renee Weiland. Absent: JoAnn Shafar. Also present: Debra Nelson, Library Director; Rick Avalos, Head of Building and Security Services.

President Maternowski started the meeting by telling the trustees that they need to evaluate the choices for the outdoor structure and decide: either go with Morton or Romtec, or find another option, such as having Hitchcock develop a new proposal.

Trustee Catania delivered a detailed comparison of Morton (Design/Build), Romtec (Design/Bid/Build), and Traditional Build, summarizing all the information gathered to date and highlighting their key similarities and differences. Director Nelson and Rick Avalos provided additional information in support of the presentation. Trustees expressed appreciation for the comprehensive report.

A discussion followed the presentation, after which the trustees indicated their preferred option—unanimously expressing support for Romtec. They then reviewed which phase(s) of the project to begin with and agreed that Phases 1, 5, and 7 were logical starting points. The Board will formally vote on these discussion items at the next regular meeting on August 5, 2025.

Director Nelson provided a summary of the public meeting held at the Library by Alexian Brothers Administration on July 19, 2025.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen Valentino, Secretary