ELK GROVE VILLAGE PUBLIC LIBRARY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
of the
ELK GROVE VILLAGE PUBLIC LIBRARY
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Tuesday, April 8, 2025

President Bruce Barnett called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Trustees present: Isela Catania, Lee Maternowski, JoAnn Shafar, Eileen Valentino, Mary Vitale, Renee Weiland. Also present were Library Director Debra Nelson, Business Manager Michael Mangini, Administrative Assistant Jennifer Snyder and Network Administrator Josh Fulkerson. Department Heads: Adult Services Mary Kay Stiff, Building & Security Rick Avalos, Circulation Services Richy Sandberg, Technical Services Nichole Kelley, and Youth Services Adelaide Rowe.

MINUTES APPROVED

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

1. Trustee Shafar moved, seconded by Trustee Vitale, that the Board approve the minutes of the Regular Session Meeting held March 11, 2025.

On a voice vote, the motion passed

2. Trustee Valentino moved, seconded by Trustee Catania, that the Board approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held January 28, 2025.

On a voice vote, the motion passed

3. Trustee Vitale moved, seconded by Trustee Valentino, that the Board approve the minutes of the Committee of the Whole Meeting held March 25, 2025.

On a voice vote, the motion passed

AGENDA REVIEW

No additions were made to the Agenda

COMMUNICATIONS

The Board reviewed the communications

AUDIENCE TO VISITORS

No public comments

FINANCIAL REPORT
ACCOUNTS PAYABLE SCHEDULE

Clarifications:

1. Bibliotheca, LLC – Kiosk & Cabin: payment for extended warranty

2. First National Bank – ALA, professional development materials: conference registrations and materials

3. Zoobean – annual subscription: online summer reading platform

4. Castillo Landscaping – snow removal & salting: payment for salting on February 5, 6, 8, and February 12-15.

5. Innovative Interfaces – the Polaris subscription included identical payments for the first and second year (the first year was not billed). A separate payment covered the mobile app.

6. Clark Baird Smith LLP – legal fees Feb. 2025: arbitration and employee investigation

Trustee Shafar moved, seconded by Trustee Catania, that the Board approve the Accounts Payable Schedule dated April 8, 2025 in the amount of $215,326.76.

AYES: Barnett, Catania, Maternowski, Shafar, Valentino, Vitale, Weiland
NAYS: None

REPORT ON BOARD COMMITTEES

BUILDING & GROUNDS

No report

PERSONNEL

No report

POLICY

No report

LEGAL AND FINANCE

No report

COMMUNITY RELATIONS

The Friends of the Library held their luncheon today where Director Nelson announced a $2,000 grant from the Rotary Club, which will support a future children's education program.

REPORT FROM LIBRARY DIRECTOR AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

Today is National Library Workers Day. The recent spring break programs were a success. The short story dispenser is currently featuring creative poems and short stories from high school students. In other news, Director Nelson reminded the Trustees of the upcoming May 1st deadline to file their Statement of Economic Interest. Looking ahead, staff are busy preparing for summer and fall events, including the Age of Arcade display, Play, Picnic & Party, and Comic Con. Channel 6 will be filming two special broadcasts highlighting the Age of Arcade display. Finally, the votes from the April 1st election were certified on April 22nd , and the swearing-in ceremony is scheduled for May 27th at the Village Hall.

PENDING BUSINESS

Outdoor Structure delivery options

Director Nelson held a Teams meeting with Dave Frigo, Morton Buildings representatives, and the Library's Attorney from Ancel Glink to discuss delivery options for the outdoor structure. She will forward the meeting recording to the Trustees for their review if interested.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Resolution LB040825, A Resolution honoring the Library Service of Bruce Barnett**

Trustee Valentino moved, seconded by Trustee Vitale:

WHEREAS, Trustee Barnett has faithfully served as a Library Trustee since 2009 and is leaving his position when the term ends in 2025; and

WHEREAS, Trustee Barnett served as President of the Library Board from 2013 to 2015 and again from 2023 to 2025; and

WHEREAS, Trustee Barnett served as Secretary of the Library Board from 2011 to 2013 and again from 2021 to 2023; and

WHEREAS, Trustee Barnett served as Chair of the Friends of the Library Committee in 2013 and again from 2018 to 2021; and

WHEREAS, Trustee Barnett served as Chair of the Buildings and Grounds Committee from 2021 to 2025; and

WHEREAS, Trustee Barnett generously devoted his time and expertise, sharing his valuable knowledge of building construction, and providing guidance on numerous projects that improved the Library and its services to the Elk Grove Village community; and

WHEREAS, although Trustee Barnett will be greatly missed by the Elk Grove Village Public Library's Board and Staff as a Library Trustee, we wish him all the best and are confident that he will continue to support our library and remain a good friend; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Elk Grove Village Public Library hereby thanks Trustee Barnett for his public service to the residents of Elk Grove Village; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution is included in the minutes of this meeting and a copy presented to Trustee Barnett as a token of the Board's sincere appreciation.

ADOPTED, this 8th day of April 2025 by the Board of Trustees of the Elk Grove Village Public Library.

On a voice vote, the motion passed

2. **Reschedule June & July Board Meetings**

Trustee Weiland moved, seconded by Trustee Vitale, that the Board approve to change the date of the June 3 meeting to June 10, and the July 1 meeting to July 8.

On a voice vote, the motion passed

3. **Schedule a Committee of the Whole Meeting**

A Committee of the Whole Meeting was scheduled for April 22, 2025 at 7:00 pm.

ADJOURN

Trustee Maternowski moved, seconded by Trustee Vitale, that the Board adjourn the Regular Session Meeting.

On a voice vote, the motion passed

The meeting was adjourned 7:56 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lee Maternowski, Secretary