

Westland Public Library  
Board of Trustee Minutes  
Wednesday, June 13, 2018  
Library Board Room

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the William P. Faust Public Library of Westland, Michigan was held on Wednesday, June 13, 2018 at 6123 Central City Parkway, Westland, Michigan 48185

1. Call to Order and Attendance

Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M. by James Higgins

Roll Call MEMBERS PRESENT:

James Higgins-President- Present  
Gayle Nicholson-Vice President- Excused  
Kathryn Sample-Treasurer- Present  
Gary Chappel- Present  
Julie Laliberte- Present

STAFF PRESENT:

Ishwar Laxminarayan-Library Director  
Sherri West-Administrative Manager

ALSO PRESENT:

Michael McNamara-Library Attorney

2. Action on Agenda

No action

3. Citizens Comments on Agenda Items only:

None

4. Business

a. Approval of minutes of the meeting May 9, 2018

RESOLVED, to approve the minutes of the May 9, 2018 regular board meeting  
As submitted.

Motion by: Julie Laliberte

Supported by: Gary Chappell

James Higgins-President- Yes

Kathryn Sample-Treasurer- Yes

Gary Chappel- Yes

Julie Laliberte- Yes

Motion passed

b. Approval of Bills from May 2018

Motion to approve bills from May 2018 as submitted.

Motion by: Kathryn Sample

Supported by: Gary Chappell

James Higgins- President- yes

Kathryn Sample-Treasurer- Yes

Gary Chappel- Yes

Julie Laliberte -Yes

Motion passed

c. Friends of the Library

Lynne Hagman updated the Library Board on the Mother of all Sales Book Sale.

Everything was sold for \$.25. The total amount collected this year was the same, as last year's sale even though it was 1 day shorter and the price was reduced.

d. Welcome to the New Director Ishwar Laxminarayan

Library Board President welcomed Ishwar Laxminarayan the New Library Director. Ishwar responded that it had been a very eventful 3 days. Something different every moment. He is trying to understand the Westland Library history and what has happened here. Ishwar has met with the Friends, Mayor Wild and Deputy Mayor Reddy along with Sherri West. He's preparing for a Department Heads meeting and invited all board members to attend the Summer Reading Program Kickoff.

e. Set 2018-2019 Library Board Meeting Dates

A motion to set 2018-2019 library Board Meeting Dates as submitted to the board.

Motion by: Kathryn Sample

Supported by: Gary Chappell

James Higgins- President- Yes

Kathryn Sample-Treasurer- Yes

Gary Chappel- Yes

Julie Laliberte - Yes

Approval to adopt 2018-2019 Meeting Dates

f. Discuss Strategic Plan details

The former Library Strategic Plan ended in 2013. Ishwar the new Library director asked of the board what sort of expert do we seek? He has some ideas and would like to reach out to Jim Pletz of TLN and MCLS and report back to the Library board with a recommendation.

g. Elect committee to be set aside for Union negotiations

Gayle Nicholson and Gary Chappell volunteered to serve on the committee for Union negotiations.

5. New Business

None

6. Director's Report

Administrative Manager Sherri West read her submitted report and added the following words. "I also wish to thank this Library Board for their continued support this past year. It has been a year of great cooperation of the staff, City of Westland Administration and this governing Library Board. I am looking forward to a successful future for the Westland Public Library.

7. Citizens Comments in General

None

8. Board Member Comments

All board members wished to welcomed Ishwar to the Westland Public Library.

9. Next meeting topics

- Update on Strategic Plan
- Union updates by selected board members
- Policy updates discussion

10. Adjournment

RESOLVED, to adjourn meeting at 6:33 P.M.

Motion by: Gary Chappell

Supported by: Julie Laliberte

James Higgins- President- Yes

Kathryn Sample-Treasurer- Yes

Gary Chappel- Yes

Julie Laliberte - Yes

Motion passed