

Palos Heights Public Library
Minutes of February 20, 2025, Meeting

Meeting called to order by President Snow at 7:00 p.m. On a roll call vote the following members were in attendance: Susan Snow, Rose Zubik, Parick Keough, Steven Foertsch and Sue Jankowski. Diane Key, John Peltz and Hilary Rhodes were absent.

Also present: Library Director Jesse Blazek, Terry Fleckenstein, Tina Ruszala and Beth Stevens.

Welcome of guests: Beth Stevens gave us a brief background on herself and discussion of Circulation Department.

Public Comment: None

Minutes: The board reviewed the minutes of January 16, 2025, regular board meeting.

Trustee Foertsch moved, and Trustee Keogh seconded a motion to approve the minutes of January 16, 2025. There was no discussion. All in favor – none opposed. Minutes stand as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Trustee Keough

Trustee Keough moved, and Trustee Foertsch seconded a motion to approve the General Fund bills for the month of January in the amount of \$196,516.92. There being no discussion a roll call vote was taken. All in favor – none opposed. Motion carried.

Trustee Keough moved, and Trustee Zubik seconded a motion to approve the Treasurer's report for the month ending January 31, 2025. There being no discussion a roll call vote was taken. All in favor – none opposed. Motion carried.

President Snow gave a brief report.

Director's Report. The Director presented a report to the Trustees on current library events.

Correspondence: There was no new correspondence

Budget & Finance – no report

Ethics Officer – no report

Nominating – no report

Personnel – no report

Policy – no report

Friends of the Library – Approximately \$4,000 was raised by the Friends of the Library book sale and book nook sales.

Building and Grounds: The Building and Grounds committee met earlier at 6 p.m. to discuss anticipated capital needs for the year. The major issue is the building envelope problem which persists and discussed getting estimates to determine cause of problem.

New Business:

Trustee Zubik moved, and Trustee Jankowski seconded a motion to approve the library closure on May 31, 2025 for Summer Reading Kickoff Party. There was some discussion regarding bathroom access during the event. The committee will address this issue. On a voice vote all in favor – none opposed. Motion carried.

There being no other business to come before the board Trustee Keough moved and Trustee Jankowski seconded a motion to adjourn. All in favor – none opposed. Motion carried.

President Snow adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

Next meeting: Thursday, March 20, 2025