



Metropolitan
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REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
THE METROPOLITAN LIBRARY SYSTEM
CHICAGO OFFICE
March 16, 2009
Minutes

Call to Order/Roll Call of the Board of Directors/Introduction of Visitors/Swearing in New Board Member

President Janet Kelenson called the meeting to order at 3:33 p.m. The roll was called and the following Board members were present to establish a quorum.

Marilyn Boria	Henry Latzke	Merri Monks
Sylvia Jenkins (<i>absent</i>)	Myra Mahlke (<i>absent</i>)	Tom Read
Janet Kelenson	Jeana Mays-Browne	Loree Washington (<i>absent</i>)
Robert Kolodziejcki (<i>absent</i>)	Crystal Megaridis	Paul Whitsitt
Ingrid Lamp Niinema	Milfred Moore	

Also present were MLS staff members Alice Calabrese, Sue Pasetti, Su Bochenski, Gretel Stock-Kupperman, Scott Remmenga, Kathy Roegge and Dorothy Kovacs.

Others present: Connie Tapia and Judith Kolata, Nominating Committee for FY2010 Board Elections; Anita Morgan and Braddock Lanken, Board election applicants. (Note: Current Board members Sylvia Jenkins, Milfred Moore and Jeana Mays-Browne are also on the Slate of Candidates.) Also present, Holly Bravender from Lincoln College of Technology and Elizabeth Quinlan who will be sworn in today as a member of the MLS Board of Directors.

Oath of Office

President Kelenson administered the Oath of Office to Elizabeth Quinlan. Liz has been appointed to fill the unexpired term of Judith Kolata. Judith has had to leave the Board due to the fact that her employer, Nuveen Investments, closed their library. Liz will serve until 2011.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of Agenda
- b. Acceptance of the February 9, 2009 MLS Board Meeting Minutes
- c. 2009 Board Elections Update – Slate of Candidates

The following Slate of Candidates was presented to the Board. Those candidates present at the meeting gave a brief outline of their background. It was noted that information on the candidates as well as the next step in the current Board elections is available on the MLS website at <http://www.mls.lib.il.us/board>.

William N. Coffee from LaGrange Public Library
Bella Karr Gerlich from Dominican University
Sylvia Jenkins from Moraine Valley Community College
Braddock V. Lanken from North Riverside Public Library
Jeana R. Mays-Browne from Glenwood-Lynwood Public Library District
Milfred L. Moore from Matteson Public Library
Anita Morgan from Saint Xavier University

Boria moved, seconded by Mays-Browne, that it be:

RESOLVED, THAT THE METROPOLITAN LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED

Voice vote carried.

ACTION ITEM #1

- a. Approval of the payment of bills for February 2009 in the amount of \$117,040.20
- b. Balance sheet and detail of expenditures for February 2009

Moore moved, seconded by Read, that it be:

RESOLVED, THAT THE METROPOLITAN LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD OF DIRECTORS APPROVE THE PAYMENT OF BILLS FOR FEBRUARY 2009 AND ACCEPT THE BALANCE SHEET AND DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES FOR FEBRUARY 2009 AS PRESENTED.

Roll was taken with the following results: 11 yes, 0 no, 4 absent. Motion carried.

ACTION ITEM #2

New Full Member Application – Lincoln College of Technology

Read moved, seconded by Megaridis, that it be:

RESOLVED, THAT THE METROPOLITAN LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACCEPT THE APPLICATION FOR FULL MEMBERSHIP FROM LINCOLN COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY

Voice vote carried.

ACTION ITEM #3

New Full Member Application-Casa Italia Roselli Library

Mays-Browne moved, seconded by Read, that it be:

RESOLVED, THAT THE METROPOLITAN LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD OF DIRECTORS ACCEPT THE APPLICATION FOR FULL MEMBERSHIP FROM CASA ITALIA ROSELLI LIBRARY

Voice vote carried.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM #1

Finance Committee Report

Read, Chair of the Finance Committee, reported that the committee met on Thursday, March 3, 2009 to review budgetary items for FY2010. There are still three outstanding payments due for FY09 from the State of Illinois. The Finance committee will meet again prior to the April 2009 Board meeting. The budget will be presented to the Board at the May 2009 meeting.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM #2

MLS Annual Legislators' Breakfast – February 16, 2009 – Update

Calabrese reported that approximately 60 elected Trustees and librarians attended the Annual MLS Legislators' Breakfast on Monday, February 16, 2009. Legislators in attendance were: Senators Edward Maloney, Carole Pankau and Dan Cronin.

Representatives Bob Biggins, Michael Zalewski, Kevin Joyce, William Davis and James Durkin.

Boria commented that the event was well done and better than last year.

REPORTS

- Report of the Illinois State Library
A copy of this report is part of the February 9, 2009 Board packet file
- MLS Board President's Report
Kelenson reported the following:
 - Recognized Monks and Megaridis who will be presenting at an ALA Conference panel discussion with five or six librarians from different sectors talking about leadership.
 - Recognized Read for his participation in the ILA Public Library Trustee Forum last month. Read then shared information on the mini-golf tournament fund raiser held by the Downers Grove Public Library for families and kids.
- Report of the Executive Director
A copy of this report is part of the March 16, 2009 Board packet file
- Consulting and CE Monthly Report
A copy of this report is part of the March 16, 2009 Board packet file
- Report of the SWAN Council
A copy of SWAN Council February 4, 2009 minutes is part of the March 16, 2009 Board packet file

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next Board meeting of the Metropolitan Library System will be held on April 20, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. in Burr Ridge.

ADJOURNMENT

Moore moved, seconded by Boria, to adjourn. Voice vote carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Dorothy Kovacs,
Respectfully submitted,

Paul Whitsitt, Secretary