ROGERS FREE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MEETING MINUTES FOR October 17, 2024

A meeting of the Trustees of Rogers Free Library was held on Thursday, October 17, 2024, at 6:30 PM. It was held in person at Rogers Free Library, 525 Hope Street Bristol, Rhode Island.

Present:

Al Wroblewski - Trustee | Chairperson Kasey Feijo - Trustee | Secretary Annie Silvia – Trustee (joined late at 7:36pm) Nicholas Landekic – Trustee Samantha Faria – Trustee Cara Cromwell – Trustee Marie Knapman - Trustee Eileen Dyer - Library Director

Absent: N/A

Public:

Ann Kathrin Weldy

AGENDA ITEMS

- CALL TO ORDER/ATTENDANCE/QUORUM
 - Al Wroblewski called the meeting to order at 6:34pm and noted there was a quorum.
- 2. REVIEW/AMEND/APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS
 - Minutes of Previous September 19, 2024 Meeting.
 - Cara Cromwell made a motion to approve the minutes. Marie Knapman seconded the motion. Vote: all in favor.
- 3. CHAIR REPORT
 - Al Wroblewski delivered his Chair Report.
- 4. LIBRARY DIRECTOR REPORT
 - Eileen Dyer delivered her Director Report.
- 5. FINANCIAL REPORT
 - Eileen Dyer delivered the Financial Report.

6. TRUSTEE SELECTION COMMITTEE

 Marie Knapman provided an update on the upcoming trustee selection process and timeline.

7. OLD BUSINESS

8. NEW BUSINESS

- Animals in the Library Policy Discussion and Vote
 - Kasey Feijo made a motion to table the vote until Eileen is able to collect feedback from the Town Solicitor on the policy. Marie Knapman seconded the motion. Vote: all in favor.
- Acceptance of Resignation Letter from Al Wroblewski
 - i. The trustees acknowledged the letter from Al Wroblewski.
- Re-Appointment of Trustee Samantha Faria Discussion and Vote
 - Marie Knapman motioned to support Samantha Faria's request for reappointment to the board. Cara Cromwell seconded the motion. Vote: all in favor.
- Election of Officers Discussion and Vote
 - i. Al Wroblewski nominated Annie Silvia as Chair after he steps down at the end of the month.
 - ii. Annie Sivia accepted the nomination.
 - iii. There were no other nominations.
 - iv. Cara Cromwell made a motion to elect Annie Silvia to the position of Chair. Nicholas Landekic seconded the motion. Vote: all in favor.
- Year One Director Evaluation Process Discussion and Vote
 - Nicholas Landekic made a motion to complete the evaluation questionnaires ahead of the next meeting. Marie Knapman seconded the motion. Vote: all in favor.

9. MEMBER PEROGATIVES

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

- Ann Kathrin Weldy thanked Al Wroblewski for his support and dedication to the RFL staff during his time as Chair.
- 11. EXECUTIVE SESSION Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-5(a)(1), Rhode Island's Open Meetings Act Governance Review
 - Cara Cromwell made a motion to enter executive session pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-46-5(a)(1), Rhode Island's Open Meetings Act Governance Review.
 Marie Knapman seconded the motion. Vote: all in favor. Eileen Dyer stepped out of the meeting.
 - Library Director Oversight Process Discussion
 - Creation of Governance and Personnel Committee Discussion
 - Kasey Feijo made a motion to close the executive session and resume the meeting. Marie Knapman seconded the motion. Vote: all in favor.

12. NEXT MEETING DATE: November 21, 2024

13. ADJOURN

 \circ Meeting adjourned at 8:42pm.