

Melrose Park Public Library

Melrose Park, Illinois

Board Meeting Minutes

November 9, 2021

6:30pm

Secretary Alaimo stated for the record that the meeting was being held via ZOOM with due public notice and access.

1. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees for the Melrose Park Public Library was called to order at 6:31pm

2. Members Present: Trustees Alaimo, Arellano, Cervone, Macias, Mraz, & President Modugno

Members Excused: Trustee Pesce

Also Present: Library Director Margaret Flanagan and Library Attorney Russell Syracuse

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all present

4. Introduction of Visitors, Public Comment, Correspondence

- No visitors present
- No correspondence

5. Approval of Minutes October 5, 2021 Board Meeting

On a motion by Cervone, seconded by Mraz, the minutes from October 5, 2021 were approved unanimously by roll call vote.

6. Approval of Accounts Payable

On a motion by Cervone, seconded by Alaimo, it was resolved that vouchers numbered **24859** through **24876** in the amount of \$6469.71 be approved.

The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote

7. Income Expenditures to Date




No questions.

8. Attorney's Report

Attorney Syracuse reported that a video game theft scheme has affected a number of local libraries. Director Flanagan detailed the measures the SWAN consortium has put in place to curtail these incidents.

10. Director's Report

October Meetings & Trainings

- **Margaret**
 Swan Fireside Chat
- **Margaret, Donna, & Ashlie**
 Aspen Administration Training Sessions (Purchasing)
- **Lizet, Veronica, & Donna**
 Circulation Users Group Meeting

Library News

- The MPPL successfully launched the Aspen Discovery Platform (the new online catalog) in October. Ashlie customized the catalog theme to complement the MPPL website (mpplibrary.org). The new platform is extremely user friendly and allows for more options for both libraries and individual patrons.
- The MPPL was notified that we were awarded a \$9000 "On the Road to Recovery" Grant by the State Library. This grant will be used to purchase individual study carrels and acrylic computer station dividers.

Facilities

- Repair work on the interior ceiling of the library is still in progress.

11. Old Business

None

12. New Business

- Director Flanagan reported that the MPPL was awarded a \$9000 On the Road to Recovery Grant and explained that the grant would be used to create a safer library space with the purchase of safety shields for computer stations and individual study carrels.
- HVAC repair expenditures were discussed.
- Trustee Cervone inquired about possible Kindle and iPad checkouts. Director Flanagan reported that the library has applied for a grant to purchase iPads and data packages.

13. Adjournment

On a motion by Alaimo and seconded by Mraz it was resolved that the regular Meeting of the Board be adjourned at 6:43pm. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Submitted by: Margaret Flanagan, Library Director

Signed by: Carl Alaimo, MPPL Library Board Secretary _____