

**MAYWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
JULY 14, 2021**

President Elliot Wimbush called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: Elliot Wimbush, Erica Sanchez, Connie Tapia, John Rice, Shakeesta Williams, Arnettra Barber-Burnside and Sinaria Lee (late – 7:04 pm)

Also attending: Stan Huntington, Josephine Zaabel, Stephanie Samuel, Jori Daniels, Daniela Martinez and Marcia Burton

Adoption of the Agenda

Connie Tapia moved and Erica Sanchez seconded to adopt the agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

Visitor: Ray Williams

Approval of Minutes

Connie Tapia moved and Arnettra Barber-Burnside seconded to approve the minutes of the June 2, 2021 library board meeting. All ayes. Motion carried

Communications & Announcements

Director **Stan Huntington** read a letter wherein the Library was awarded \$35,532.75 from the Illinois Per Capita Grant.

The Library will have an in-person meeting in August.

Daniela Martinez announced that we have been awarded \$30,000 from the ALA COVID Relief Fund as a result of a grant that she wrote for purchasing “Beanstalk”. With Beanstalk patrons can earn virtual badges, tickets for drawings and real-world prizes by tracking their reading and activities. The Zoo will distribute zoo passes, but we are still waiting for them. She had two meetings with the Chicago Zoological Society and “Beanstalk” for the services that Beanstalk can provide our patrons. Scheduled programs:

- July 21 Family Game Night 5 pm – 6 pm
- July 24 Tie Dye Day 2 pm – 4:30 pm
- July 28 Outdoor Storytime 4 pm, weather permitting

Jori Daniels had two successful tutorials in June. Two programs this month had to be rescheduled due to rain. Weeding has continued. Thanks to the \$30,000 grant we will be able to purchase collection development materials, e.g. Libby, Hoopla, computers, hotspots, media

equipment and resources, programming supplies and furniture. Jori Daniels thanked Stephanie Samuel for the planning and moving of materials.

Elliot Wimbush was in the Library the other day and found the staff working very hard. The rotunda and new carpeting look wonderful.

Treasurer's Report

Connie Tapia moved and Erica Sanchez seconded to approve the May, 2021 Treasurer's Report, subject to audit. Votes polled: Elliot Wimbush, Erica Sanchez, Connie Tapia, John Rice, Shakeesta Williams, and Sinaria Lee – ayes; Arnettra Barber-Burnside – abstain; 0 nays
Motion carried.

Connie Tapia moved and Sinaria Lee seconded to approve the June, 2021 Treasurer's Report, subject to audit. Votes polled: Elliot Wimbush, Erica Sanchez, Connie Tapia, John Rice, Shakeesta Williams, Sinaria Lee and Arnettra Barber-Burnside- ayes; 0 nays. Motion carried.

Accounts Payable

Connie Tapia moved and Shakeesta Williams seconded to approve the July, 2021 Accounts Payable. Votes polled: Elliot Wimbush, Erica Sanchez, Connie Tapia, John Rice, Arnettra Barber-Burnside, Shakeesta Williams and Sinaria Lee – ayes; nays – 0; absent – 0.
Motion carried.

Librarian's Report

Connie Tapia moved and Erica Sanchez seconded to accept the Librarian's Report with thanks and that the good work continue. All ayes. Motion carried.

New Business

Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance

Connie Tapia moved and Sinaria Lee seconded to adopt the Tentative Budget and Appropriation Ordinance No. 21-1 for the Maywood Public Library District, Cook County, Illinois for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2021 and ending June 30, 2022.

Votes polled: Elliot Wimbush, Erica Sanchez, Connie Tapia, John Rice, Arnettra Barber-Burnside, Shakeesta Williams, and Sinaria Lee – ayes; 0 nays; 0 absent. Motion carried.

.02% Building and Maintenance Tax (Ordinance 20-2)

Connie Tapia moved and Elliot Wimbush seconded to levy an additional tax of .02% of the value of all taxable property in the Maywood Public Library District as equalized or assessed by the Department of Revenue for the purchase of sites and buildings, the construction and equipment of buildings, the rental of buildings required for Library purposes and maintenance, repairs and alterations of Library buildings and equipment, said levy to be effective for the 2021 fiscal year.

Votes polled: Elliot Wimbush and Connie Tapia – ayes; Erica Sanchez, John Rice, Shakeesta Williams, Sinaria Lee – nays; Arnettra Barber-Burnside – abstain. Motion failed.

Election of Officers

John Rice moved and Sinaria Lee seconded to nominate Erica Sanchez for President of the Board. Votes polled: Erica Sanchez, John Rice, Shakeesta Williams and Sinaria Lee – ayes; Elliot Wimbush, Connie Tapia and Arnettra Barber-Burnside – nays; 0 absent. Motion carried.

Connie Tapia moved and Arnettra Barber-Burnside seconded to nominate Elliot Wimbush for President of the Board. Motion failed.

John Rice moved and Sinaria Lee seconded to nominate Arnettra Barber-Burnside for Vice-President of the Board. Votes polled: Erica Sanchez, Shakeesta Williams, John Rice, Sinaria Lee and Arnettra Barber-Burnside – ayes; Elliot Wimbush and Connie Tapia – nays; 0 absent. Motion carried.

Connie Tapia moved and Elliot Wimbush seconded to nominate Elliot Wimbush for Vice-President of the Board. Motion failed.

John Rice moved and Sinaria Lee seconded to nominate Shakeesta Williams for Treasurer of the Board. Votes polled: Erica Sanchez, John Rice, Sinaria Lee and Shakeesta Williams – ayes; Elliot Wimbush, Connie Tapia and Arnettra Barber-Burnside – nays; 0 absent. Motion carried.

Connie Tapia moved and Elliot Wimbush seconded to nominate Elliot Wimbush for Treasurer of the Board. Votes polled: Elliot Wimbush, Arnettra Barber-Burnside and Connie Tapia – ayes; Erica Sanchez, John Rice, Sinaria Lee and Shakeesta Williams – nays; 0 absent. Motion failed.

Elliot Wimbush moved and John Rice seconded to nominate Connie Tapia for Secretary of the Board. Votes polled: Elliot Wimbush, Erica Sanchez, Connie Tapia, John Rice, Arnettra Barber-Burnside, Shakeesta Williams and Sinaria Lee – ayes; 0 nays; 0 absent. Motion carried.

Comments from the Board

John Rice inquired as to how many employees the Library has? The Library has 4 full-time and 6 part-time employees.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Connie Tapia
Board Secretary