

JAMESTOWN PHILOMENIAN LIBRARY
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, August 10, 2021

A. Call to Order: Roll Call of Members

This meeting of the Jamestown Philomenian Library Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:00 by Eugene Mihaly. In attendance were Trustees Peter Carson, Ed Gromada, Paul Housberg, Cathy Kaiser, Devi Ross, Chris Walsh, and Town Council liaison Mary Meagher.

B. Report of the Chair

NEH update: Mihaly reported that he, Sheley, and lawyer Joe Larisa will be conferencing via phone with three NEH representatives re Narragansett concerns. Nothing has been received in writing from the Narragansetts. Mihaly later confirmed that Gromada and Carson, members of the ad-hoc subcommittee appointed by the board to interface with Larisa, will also be on the call.

C. Response to OLIS document entitled Jamestown Library Construction Project, Application Review dated July 22, 2021; and Response to OLIS document entitled Jamestown Library Construction Project, Design Review dated July 26, 2021:

Mihaly reported that the JPL responses to OLIS questions have been submitted. Many of the questions concerned layout and furniture. Housberg shared several examples of OLIS recommendations that may not be feasible due to budget constraints or structural impediments.

D. Treasurer's Report

Carson recommended that future treasurer reports be moved to the consent agenda. Gromada explained the interbanking sweep handling of the Foundation's \$1.2 million (matured CD) to ensure FDIC coverage.

E. Director's Report

Sheley was not in attendance. Trustees had no questions re the written report.

F. Policy Review: C1, C2

No changes were made to the policies. Mihaly confirmed that the JPL director will request background checks for all new hires.

G. Board Process Review

Housberg expressed a concern that conversations with Larisa be shared with the board. Mihaly confirmed that the ad-hoc subcommittee appointed by the board will participate in the conference call with NEH. Conversations with Larisa be continue to be reported upon at the board's monthly meetings.

H. Consent Agenda

An item on the Consent Agenda need not be removed for simple clarification or correction of typographical errors. Approval of the Consent Agenda shall be equivalent to approval of each item as if it had been acted upon separately.

1. Approval of Minutes: July 13, 2021
2. Approval of Financial Reports
 - a. Library Board of Trustees
 - b. Jamestown Philomenian Library
3. Progress and Service Report of the Director

Motion to pass the Consent Agenda was made by Kaiser. Housberg seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

I. Public Input

None.

Date of Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next Trustee Meeting will be held on September 14 at 5 p.m.

Carson moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:28 p.m. Gromada seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Pursuant to RIGL 42-46-6(c), Notice of this meeting shall be posted on the Secretary of State's website and at the Jamestown Philomenian Library and the Town Hall. In addition to the two above-mentioned locations, notice also may be posted on the internet at www.jamestownri.gov.

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Respectfully submitted,
Cathy Kaiser
Board Secretary