

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Pearl River Public Library was held at the library on Tuesday, September 28, 2021. The meeting was also held remotely via Zoom video conference link posted on the Pearl River Public Library website before the start of the meeting.

Present were Board President William Morris, Board Vice President Irene D’Anna, Trustee Michael McCue, Trustee Eric Sharrin, Trustee Donna Warren, Library Director Eugenia Schatoff, Treasurer Magda Parvulescu, Senior Account Clerk Debra McDermott, and Board Clerk Wendy Courtney.

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board President Morris called the meeting to order at 7:17PM. All rose and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public attendance.

OLD BUSINESS

1. **Bond Referendum Results** – Board Clerk Courtney reported on the results of the Bond Referendum Vote of September 21, 2021. The Bond Referendum failed to pass. The vote was 395 in favor, 422 opposed.
2. **Library Renewal Project** – Library Director Schatoff reviewed what would be the next steps of the Library Renewal Project. The Library Renewal Project Advisory Committee will be meeting with Director Schatoff.
3. **Presentation by Paul Mays, Butler, Rowland, Mays, Architects LLP** – Paul Mays spoke about revising the Library Renewal Project and developing a list of priorities in response to new community input.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the meetings of September 7, 2021 – On a motion by Trustee McCue, seconded by Trustee Sharrin, the Board voted 5-0 to pass a resolution approving the Minutes of the meeting of September 7, 2021.

APPROVAL OF TREASURER’S REPORT, FINANCIAL REPORT & LIST OF CLAIMS

The Board reviewed the Treasurer’s Report, Balance Sheet, Actual Cash Flow Spreadsheets for August 2021 and the List of Warrants for September 2021. On a motion by Trustee Warren, seconded by Trustee D’Anna, the Board voted 5-0 to approve the Treasurer’s Report, Balance Sheet, Actual Cash Flow Report for August 2021 and the List of Warrants for September 2021.

STATISTICAL REPORTS

The Statistical Reports for August 2021 were noted.

DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Library Director Schatoff reviewed Director’s Report.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building & Grounds – The Committee did not meet.

Policy Committee – The Committee met on September 23. The Policy Committee met and discussed the revision of the Library’s Covid rules including the requirement for unvaccinated persons to wear a mask 100% of the time that they are in the library. The Committee will meet again during the week of October 11.

Personnel Committee – The committee did not meet.

Finance Committee – The Committee did not meet.

Technology Committee - The Committee did not meet.

Ad Hoc Committee – The Committee did not meet.

PERSONNEL

There were no Personnel matters.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business.

CORRESPONDENCE

Library Director Schatoff shared an email from David Gray in support of the Library and in support of a future bond referendum to continue the Library Renewal Project.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There was no public attendance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Trustee Sharrin, seconded by Trustee McCue, the Board voted 5-0 to enter Executive Session to discuss union contract negotiations and rental negotiations at 8:17PM.

Treasurer Parvulescu, Senior Account Clerk McDermott, and Board Clerk Courtney were excused and left the meeting.

Wendy Courtney, Clerk to the Board

On a motion by Trustee Sharrin, seconded by Trustee McCue, the Board voted 5-0 to end the Executive Session at 9:30PM. No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Trustee D’Anna, seconded by Trustee Warren, the Board voted 5-0 to adjourn the meeting at 9:31PM.

Eugenia Schatoff, Library Director

NEXT MEETING: REGULAR MEETING & BUDGET HEARING, MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2021