

MINUTES

Kansas City Public Library Board of Trustees Regular Meeting – May 21, 2019

The Board of Trustees of the Kansas City Public Library, pursuant to official notification, met Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. at the Central Library, 14 West 10th Street, Kansas City, Missouri.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jonathan Kemper, President
Claudia Oñate Greim
Laura Dominik
Billie Howard Barnes
Rose Marie Bell
Leon Dixon
Olivia Dorsey
Marilou Joyner
Susie Kenney

STAFF PRESENT: Crosby Kemper III, Chief Executive
Jessica Agler, Administrative Officer
Reed Beebe, Purchasing Manager
Teresa Bolton, Director of Central Library Operations
Melissa Carle, Director of Information Systems
Carrie Coogan, Deputy Director of Public Affairs & Community
of Readers
Andrea Ellis, Digital Youth Engagement Manager
Crystal Faris, Director of Youth & Family Engagement
Joel Jones, Deputy Director of Library Services
Heather Pedersen, Executive Assistant / Manager of Executive
Services
Debbie Siragusa, Deputy Director of Administration / Chief
Financial Officer
Deborah Stoppello, Director of Library Collections
Karen Weitzel, Director of Human Resources

OTHERS PRESENT: Renee Franklin
Tom Platt

J. Kemper called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

Motion by Dixon to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2019 regular Board meeting. Second by Dominik. Approved unanimously. (Note: As a matter of Board convention, the Chair votes only when his/her vote would affect the outcome of the vote. In all "recorded" votes, the vote of the Chair appears only when it has actually been cast and when it has had an effect on the disposition of the motion. Notations of "approved unanimously" mean all members, other than the Chair, voting affirmatively.)

Motion by Howard Barnes to approve the Consent Agenda items before the Board. Second by Joyner. Approved unanimously. The following items were approved as part of the Consent Agenda:

Move approval of the recommendation of the Chief Executive to authorize the following expenditures for April 2019: Payroll (04/25/19 net cash \$237,936 plus taxes \$86,100) and (05/09/19 net cash \$240,460 plus taxes \$88,032) total amount

of \$652,528; General Expense Payments including Checks (#177070-177349), in the amount of \$973,991. (LBM 4341)

Move approval of the recommendation of the Chief Executive to accept the attached financial reports for April 2019. (LBM 4342)

Move approval of the recommendation of the Chief Executive to authorize the contract with and/or make payment to the attached list of vendors in amounts not exceed those detailed in the attached list of vendors for FY 2018 - 2019. (LBM 4343).

Kenney arrived 4:34 p.m.

Bell arrived 4:39 p.m.

Motion by Dominik to approve the recommendation of the Chief Executive to contract with Inkhorn, LLC (“Inkhorn”) to provide consulting services at a cost not to exceed \$125,000. Second by Howard Barnes. Approved unanimously. (LBM 4344)

Motion by Dixon to approve the recommendation of the Chief Executive to revise the contract authorization with The Clark Enersen Partners, P.C. for design and consulting services for the renovation of the North-East Branch for a total cost not to exceed \$275,000. Second by Dominik. Approved unanimously. (LBM 4345)

Motion by Joyner to approve the recommendation of the Chief Executive to contract with World Wide Technology, LLC (“WWT”) to provide network access control hardware and software, as well as installation and configuration services for this hardware/software, at a cost not to exceed \$55,000. Second by Dominik. Approved unanimously. (LBM 4346)

Motion by Dominik to approve the recommendation of the Chief Executive to purchase 700 chairs and 19 transport dollies from KI at a cost not to exceed \$96,746.28. Second by Howard Barnes. Approved unanimously. (LBM 4347)

Motion by Joyner to approve the recommendation of the Chief Executive to execute contracts with various vendors to renew and begin licensing for library access to online databases at a price not to exceed \$320,205.99. Second by Dominik. Approved unanimously. (LBM 4348)

Motion by Dominik to approve the recommendation of the Chief Executive to contract with Hartsook Companies, Inc. (“Hartsook”) to provide development consulting and executive search services at a cost not to exceed \$130,000. Second by Howard Barnes. Approved unanimously. (LBM 4349)

Joel Jones presented the Kansas City Public Library’s fine free program. Over 450 public libraries have gone fine free in recent years. Research and experience shows that fines are a barrier to access in general and a significant financial barrier to low income families and individuals. A Library task force developed a new circulation policy which will begin on July 1st, and fines will no longer be charged for overdue items. Patron accounts will be charged lost materials fees for items that are overdue by 14 days, and accounts that reach \$45 in lost materials will be blocked from checking out and placing holds.

C. Kemper provided a Director’s Report to the Board. (LBM 4350)

The board discussed dates for a retreat.

Motion by Dominik to adjourn. Second by Howard Barnes. Approved unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

Secretary

Date