# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WASHINGTON COUNTY FREE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES HELD IN PERSON AT THE ALICE VIRGINIA AND DAVID W. FLETCHER LIBRARY SEPTEMBER 11, 2024

Present: Stephen Schutte, President Board Absent: Aaron Peterancez

Laurie Bender Kendra Stauch Kathy Oliver Kathy Kerns

Staff Present: Jenny Bakos Emeritus: Al Martin

Kathleen O'Connell Elizabeth Hulett Jennifer Keysor Sara McCall Laura Zeigler

Bonnie Ramsberg (LATI) Yesenia Garcia-Navarro (LATI)

Leigh Snyder (LATI) Susan Videtti (LATI)

The meeting was called to order at 12:03 PM by Mr. Schutte, the Board President.

## **LATI Student Introductions**

## **Public Comment**

No attendees for public comment

### **Minutes**

The minutes of the July 17<sup>th</sup> meeting and the facilities study presentation meeting were reviewed. Mr. Schutte moved to approve as stated and Ms. Oliver seconded the motion with unanimous approval.

# **Executive Director's Report**

Ms. Bakos noted her report was inclusive of all activities.

## **Director of Public Services Report**

Ms. O'Connell stated her report was inclusive of all activities. Ms. O'Connell also stated that a social worker would be a great asset to the library. The logistics need worked out and they can use the designated office.

## **Director of Operations**

Ms. Keysor stated her report was inclusive of all activities.

## **Director of Western Maryland Regional Library**

Ms. Hulett stated her report was inclusive of activities.

#### **Financial Statement**

Ms. McCall stated that statements are in draft form. Ms. McCall states they are still a work in progress.

Mr. Schutte moved to approve financial statements, as well as the Financial Audit, and Ms. Oliver seconded the motion with unanimous approval.

## **Policy and Personnel Committee**

A special presentation, Strategic Plan 2025-2030, was presented by Ms. Jenny Bakos.

Ms. Bakos stated her report was inclusive of all activities.

### **Old Business**

Williamsport Update – Motion to speak to WCPS Board. Ms. Bender called to motion and Ms. Oliver seconded the motion with unanimous approval.

## **New Business**

The 2025 WCFL Library Holiday Schedule was unanimously approved by the Board Members.

#### **Board Members' Comments**

Schutte – Dropped from Mayoral race. Will be (happily) able to stay on the Board.

Oliver - Happy to see progress with new financial progress

Bender – Financials are great. Activities in branches are amazing!

Stauch – Financials look great! Incidents down look great as well. Excited for Sen. Corderman's meeting.

Kerns – So many great things going on, and so much growth. Excited for Library to be cornerstone for talks about safety.

The meeting adjourned at 1:01pm. Ms. Oliver moved to approve, and Ms. Bender seconded with unanimous approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenny L. Bakos

**Executive Director**