

**WHITE OAK LIBRARY DISTRICT
JULY 23, 2024
REGULAR BOARD MEETING @ 7:00 PM
CREST HILL BRANCH**

CALL TO ORDER

President Deanna Amann called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:00p.m. Board members present: Deanna Amann, Nancy Hackett, June Rokita-Kennedy, and Kelly Schneider.

Absent: Gayle Crompton, Andrew Koroma, and Ann Lopez-Caneva.

Public in attendance: Strategic Plan Focus Group participants Beverly Burge, Maureen Mulville, and Jenn Mordecai.

Staff present: Scott Pointon and Patti Sacco.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – none.

MINUTES

Board members reviewed the minutes.

Nancy Hackett moved to approve the June 25, 2024 Regular Board Meeting Minutes as presented. Kelly Schneider seconded the motion. Roll call indicated: Ayes – Deanna Amann, Nancy Hackett, June Rokita-Kennedy, and Kelly Schneider. Nays - none. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE – Scott Pointon received a letter from the State of Illinois reporting that the White Oak Library District will receive a Per Capita Grant in the amount of \$114,122.25.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Trustee June Rokita-Kennedy read the Treasurer’s Report for June 2024. Cash on hand as of June 1, 2024 was \$2,674,590.23. Income as of June 30, 2024 was \$3,238,257.88. Disbursements as of June 30, 2024 were \$393,735.24. An adjustment of \$18,250.06 was made due to payment of IMRF liabilities from April and May. Cash on hand as of June 30, 2024 was \$5,500,862.81.

June Rokita-Kennedy moved the Board approve the June 2024 Treasurer’s Report as presented, with the payment of the July 15, 2024 bills of \$572,391.74 and the July 5, 2024 payroll of \$129,376.18 and the July 19, 2024 payroll of \$138,115.49. Kelly Schneider seconded the motion. Roll call indicated: Ayes – Deanna Amann, Nancy Hackett, June Rokita-Kennedy, and Kelly Schneider. Nays - none. Motion carried.

Personal Property Replacement Tax received to date for FY 2024-2025 was \$84,323.21. The Lockport Township estimate for FY 2024-2025 has not yet been received.

2023 Levy Real Estate Distributions and Interest received to date was \$3,467,914.39. Percent received was 51.72%.

Additional information regarding interest rates – the PMA Investments Report was reviewed.

DIRECTOR’S REPORT

In addition to his written report Scott Pointon shared with the Board that the Comicopolis event that took place on Saturday, July 20th at the Lockport Branch, was a huge success. There were 2,019 people in attendance.

OLD BUSINESS

BUILDING UPDATES – none.

DISCUSSION OF BUDGET INCREASE IN FY 2025/2026

Scott Pointon received a call from U.S. Congresswoman Lauren Underwood who reported that the \$3 million in funding that Scott Pointon applied for on behalf of the White Oak Library District, has been reduced to \$250,000. This amount may change as negotiations are continuing.

Scott Pointon relayed to the Board that many things listed in the new Strategic Plan cannot be accomplished unless a referendum is passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Real Property – none needed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – Personnel – none needed.

NEW BUSINESS

RECOGNITION OF FOCUS GROUP MEMBERS

Scott Pointon and Deanna Amann thanked the Focus Group members that were in attendance for their time and efforts in helping to create the foundation for the new Strategic Plan.

MEMBERS CONCERNS/COMMENTS

Deanna Amann expressed her thanks to June Rakita-Kennedy for stepping in to read the reports for absent Board Treasurer Gayle Crompton.

SERVING OUR PUBLIC 4.0 – Chapter 11 Standards for Illinois Public Libraries 2020 Edition

The Board reviewed the standards in question and determined the Library District is in compliance with the guidelines.

ADJOURNMENT

Kelly Schneider moved for adjournment at 7:50p.m. Nancy Hackett seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.