

UNIVERSITY PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY

Regular Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 15, 2024

CALL TO ORDER ROLL CALL

President Young called the meeting to order in the conference room of the Library at 7:13 p.m. Members of the board present: Trustee Ruby Giddings, Trustee Phyllis Saunders, Trustee Debra Stroud, Trustee Jewell Thompson, Trustee James Young. Also present, Tracy Ducksworth, Library Director and guest James Rachlin, Meristem Advisors, LLC. Absent: Trustee Debra Taylor, Trustee Bettie Wayne.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Trustee Thompson to approve the agenda and adjust the agenda to hear presentation from James Rachlin. Trustee Stroud seconded. Motion carried voice vote. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abs: 0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Trustee Stroud to approve the regular meeting minutes of Tuesday, September 17, 2024. Trustee Thompson seconded. Motion carried by voice vote, Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abs: 0

It was moved by Trustee Stroud to approve the regular meeting minutes of Tuesday, August 20, 2024. Trustee Thompson seconded. Motion carried by voice vote, Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abs: 0

It was moved by Trustee Stroud to approve the public hearing minutes of Tuesday, August 20, 2024. Trustee Thompson seconded. Motion carried by voice vote, Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abs: 0

CORRESPONDENCE None

FINANCIAL REPORTS

It was moved by Trustee Thompson to accept the treasurer's report for August and September 2024. Trustee Young seconded. Motion carried by roll call. Ayes: Trustee Ruby Giddings, Trustee Phyllis Saunders, Trustee Debra Stroud, Trustee Jewell Thompson, Trustee James Young Nays: 0, Abs: 0

It was moved by Trustee Thompson to approve the claims list for October 2024, in the amount of \$27,653.43. Trustee Young seconded. Motion carried by roll call. Ayes: Trustee Phyllis Saunders, Trustee Debra Stroud, Trustee Debra Taylor, Trustee Jewell Thompson, Trustee Bettye Wayne Nays: 0, Abs: 0.

It was moved by Trustee Thompson to transfer \$40,000 from Old Second Money Market to Old Second General Checking for October 2024 accounts payable and two payrolls. Trustee Giddings seconded. Ayes: Trustee Ruby Giddings, Trustee Phyllis M. Saunders, Trustee Deborah Stroud, Trustee Jewell Thompson, and Trustee James W. Young, Nays: 0, Abs: 0

REPORT OF ADMINISTRATION

Ms. Ducksworth informed the board, staff would be uniformed, wearing matching blue vests and name tags. M. Morgan provided assistance with the fall plants. The fall newsletter was completed and mailed to community. The library will host early voting starting Monday, Oct. 15, 2024.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

New Business:

James Rachlin of Meristem Advisors, LLC provided an overview of the levy process and provided a recommendation for the library levy amount for FY 2024.

It was moved by Trustee Thompson to hire James Rachlin, Meristem Advisors to assist with the 2024 levy process not to exceed \$5000.00. Trustee Stroud seconded. Motion carried by roll call. Ayes: Trustee Ruby Giddings, Trustee Phyllis M. Saunders, Trustee Deborah Stroud, Trustee Jewell Thompson, and Trustee James W. Young Nays: 0 Abs: 0

It was moved by Trustee Thompson to approve IMRF/FICA Transfer/Reallocation Resolution 2024-04 in the amount of \$102,352.00. Trustee Giddings seconded. Motion carried by roll call. Ayes: Trustee Ruby Giddings, Trustee Phyllis M. Saunders, Trustee Deborah Stroud, Trustee Jewell Thompson, and Trustee James W. Young Nays: 0 Abs: 0

Non-Resident Card Ordinance-Tabled

Ethics Ordinance-Tabled

Per Capita Grant 2025 – Board review Serving Our Public Chapters 4-8.

Other Business, for announcement, deliberation and/or discussion only; no other action to be taken.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Trustee Stroud to adjourn the meeting at 8:39p.m. Trustee Giddings seconded. Motion carried by voice vote. Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abs: 0

Respectfully submitted,

Tracy Ducksworth
Library Director