



Marengo-Union Library District Board Meeting

Date: November 23, 2023

Time: 7:30pm

Location: Marengo-Union Library, 19714 E. Grant Highway, Marengo, IL

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Jay Filler at 7:46pm

Roll Call

Trustees Present:	Judi Alden, Paul Garcia, Shari Kagan, Desiree Sierens, Tom Schermerhorn
Trustees Absent:	Jay Filler, David Martin
Staff Present:	Sondra Terry
Public Present:	Kailey Sachs

Additional Agenda Items

None

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made to approve the October 30, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes.

Moved by Shari, 2nd by Tom

Yes: Judi Alden, Paul Garcia, Shari Kagan, Tom Schermerhorn

Absent: Jay Filler, David Martin

Abstain: Desiree Sierens

Public Forum

None

Financial Report

A motion was made to approve the Financial Report.

Moved by Judi, 2nd by Shari

Yes: Judi Alden, Paul Garcia, Shari Kagan, Tom Schermerhorn,
Desiree Sierens

Absent: Jay Filler, David Martin

Vendor's list and new Vendors

A motion was made to approve the vendor's list, no new vendors:

Moved by Shari, 2nd by Judi

Yes: Judi Alden, Paul Garcia, Shari Kagan, Tom Schermerhorn,
Desiree Sierens

Absent: Jay Filler, David Martin

Communications

Peter Byrne, the assistant principal from MCHS was unable to attend the November meeting but hopes to attend the January meeting. He is investigating locations for a reunification site, and he thought the Library would be a good option. The board was receptive to the proposal.

Sondra also added that she has received notices from the City regarding a possible water leak. November's water report shows an increase of usage at odd times, particularly after closing. She will start by testing all toilets and troubleshoot from there.

Library Director's Report

Sondra reported on upcoming personnel changes. Madie, the Administrative Assistant, is leaving after accepting a full-time position related to her field of education. Carol, the Circulation Manager, will be retiring after 20 years.

Sondra shared images of submissions to the Library Card Art Contest with the Board. Library cards with the winning image have been ordered.

Standing Committee Reports

A Building Committee meeting is proposed for January.

Old and New Business

A motion was made to approve the amended Truth and Taxation ordinance.

Moved by Shari, 2nd by Judi

Yes: Judi Alden, Paul Garcia, Shari Kagan, Tom Schermerhorn,
Desiree Sierens

Absent: Jay Filler, David Martin

A motion was made to approve the amended Levy ordinance.

Moved by Tom, 2nd by Shari

Yes: Judi Alden, Paul Garcia, Shari Kagan, Tom Schermerhorn,
Desiree Sierens

Absent: Jay Filler, David Martin

All executive meeting minutes will remain closed.

A motion was made to approve a portion of the benefits policy reducing full time status requirement from 40 hours to 35 hours. The remaining portion will be revised to approve at the January meeting.

Moved by Judi, 2nd by Paul

Yes: Judi Alden, Paul Garcia, Shari Kagan, Tom Schermerhorn,
Desiree Sierens

Absent: Jay Filler, David Martin

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Desiree Sierens at 8:04pm

Respectfully submitted,

Sondra Terry

Library Director