



Marengo-Union Library District: Decennial Meeting

Date: March 5, 2024

Time: 7:30pm

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

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Desiree Sierens at 7:34pm

Roll Call

Trustees Present:	Desiree Sierens, Tom Schermerhorn, Judi Alden, Shari Kagan
Trustees Absent:	Jay Filler, David Martin, Paul Garcia
Staff Present:	Sondra Terry, Kailey Sachs
Public Present:	Marty Mohr, Michael Smyk, Ann Stone, Pat Lawlor

Discussion

The Decennial Committee met and reviewed the final draft of report.

Michael Smyk noted that the final meeting date needed to be updated.

Marty Mohr suggested some wording changes in the following sections:

Section IV, under b. Services, item iv: This item was revised to reflect substantiation.

Section V, item c: It was requested that the term “Maker Space” be defined for clarity.

Section X, second point was reworded to reflect future intent.

Approval of Report with corrections

A motion was made to approve the Decennial Report with corrections.

Moved by Marty, 2nd by Shari

Yes: Marty Mohr, Michael Smyk, Shari Kagan, Tom Schermerhorn, Desiree Sierens, Judi Alden

Absent: Jay Filler, David Martin, Paul Garcia

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Desiree Sierens at 7:40 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Sondra Terry
Library Director

Marengo-Union Library District Board Meeting

Date: March 5, 2024

Time: 7:40pm

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

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Desiree Sierens at 7:37pm

Roll Call

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

Additional Agenda Items

None

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made to approve the January 23, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes.

Moved by Judi, 2nd by Tom

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

Absent: Jay Filler, David Martin, Paul Garcia

Public Forum

Peter Byrne was unable to attend. He plans to attend the next meeting.

Ann Stone and Pat Lawlor addressed the board regarding Library participation in the Mayor’s Monarch Pledge by utilizing land on the East side to establish a pollinator garden.

Financial Report

A motion was made to approve the Financial Report.

Moved by Tom, 2nd by Judi

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

Absent: Jay Filler, David Martin, Paul Garcia

Vendor's list and new Vendors

A motion was made to approve the vendor's list, and new vendors.

Moved by Tom, 2nd by Shari

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

Absent: Jay Filler, David Martin, Paul Garcia

Communications

Sondra reported on the success of this year's Library Lover's Expedition and shared a kind note to staff from a Wauconda patron.

Sondra reminded the board members to watch for an email from the county regarding the filing of the annual Statement of Economic Interest.

Library Director's Report

Personnel changes

Two new Library clerks were hired.

Our creative services coordinator accepted the Web Developer position and our social media coordinator accepted and advanced to the creative services position. Sondra will evaluate the need to fill the social media position.

The open Information Services position will be posted Friday, March 8th.

Library Incident

Sondra informed the board of events that led up to the Tuesday, February 20th physical altercation between a patron and a contracted employee. She explained the details regarding the incident itself, and the resulting aftermath. The patron involved was banned from the library until April 1st. The contracted employee is no longer employed due to reasons not related to the incident. Sondra will look into options for security camera installation.

Standing Committee Reports

None

Old and New Business

A motion was made to approve the annual audit.

Moved by Shari, 2nd by Judi

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

Absent: Jay Filler, David Martin, Paul Garcia

A motion was made to approve the building wish list.

Moved by Judi, 2nd by Tom

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

Absent: Jay Filler, David Martin, Paul Garcia

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Desiree Sierens at 8:23pm

Respectfully submitted,

Sondra Terry: Library Director