Regular Session 7/20/2023

## **Regular Board Meeting**

**Call to Order:** Rachel Parry, Board President called the meeting to order at 5:41pm.

**Present:** Rachel Parry, Jane Burden, Tom Yoe, Melissa Leuzinger, Marcy Mitchell, Sara Porter and Christopher Galetsis. **Absent:** None. **Staff Members:** Mary Petro, Brian McMahon, and Josh Harding.

NOTE: During the meeting, Josh Harding worked with each NSLD Board member to set up 2FA fobs and new NSLD email passwords.

Guests: None.

Public Comments: None.

#### **New Business:**

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to accept the minutes of the June Board meeting was made by Tom and seconded by Melissa. Approved with vote: Rachel, Sara, Tom, Melissa, Marcy, Christopher and Jane. Absent: None. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sara gave a review of the June financial reports. Motion was made by Sara and seconded by Jane to approve the June bills paid report, financial summary, and treasurer's report. Approved with vote: Sara, Tom, Melissa, Jane, Marcy, Christopher, and Rachel. Absent: None. Motion carried.

## Librarian's Report:

- Summer Reading Club is wrapping up.
- FY24 is underway, the NSLD 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary will be celebrated during the fiscal year with programs and promotions.
- Decennial Committee had their second meeting on July 20<sup>th</sup> and the draft report was handed out.
- New computers are on order. NSLD purchased the computers outright, saving the library district about \$14K in interest payments.
- Fall newsletters will go out around Labor Day.

Committee Reports: None.

**Board Development:** None.

## Discuss/Review/Act: FY23 Budget Review

Brian provided a handout that gave the board a review of the revenue and expenses for FY23. The areas of revenue (interest, corporate replacement) that were above the anticipated budget were highlighted and the expenses (special projects, materials, consultants) were reviewed as well.

## Discuss/Review/Act: FY24 Budget Review

Mary reminded the board that the Budget and Appropriation hearing would take place next month. Brian reviewed the draft Budget and Appropriation providing some information on how the process

for establishing the Budget and Appropriation works, how the Budget and Appropriation ties in with the levy, and what the next steps are.

#### **Old Business**

# Discuss/Review/Act: NSLD Building Projects

Mary provided the board with an update on the status of the NSLD/Loves Park parking lot project; the status of the light installation that took place that week, the landscaping work that has been done, the Comed transformer replacement project, the windows and door project, the signage project and the painting of the metal doors at NSLD/Loves Park.

**Correspondence**: Thank you card from NSLD patron for memorial flowers.

Board Discussion: None.

**Motion to adjourn** was made at 6:29pm by Tom and seconded by Sara. Approved with vote:

Ayes: 7. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

Regular Session 8/17/2023

# **Regular Board Meeting**

**Call to Order:** Rachel Parry, Board President called the meeting to order at 5:27pm.

**Present:** Rachel Parry, Jane Burden, Tom Yoe, Melissa Leuzinger, Marcy Mitchell, Sara Porter and Christopher Galetsis. **Absent:** None. **Staff Members:** Mary Petro, Brian McMahon, and David Harding.

**Guests:** Catherine Karlshoej.

**Public Comments:** NSLD/Roscoe resident Catherine Karlshoej requested an update on the status of the book sales and the public meeting room rental by the public. Director Mary Petro provided a status update on these projects for the board and guest.

#### **New Business:**

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to accept the minutes of the July Board meeting was made by Jane and seconded by Melissa. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sara gave a review of the July financial reports. Brian handed out information on the property tax receipts. Motion was made by Sara and seconded by Jane to approve the July bills paid report, financial summary, and treasurer's report. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

#### Librarian's Report:

- The fall newsletter will be out soon, in it are promotions for large venue programs.
- Fall billboards will be up for National Library Card sign-up month. NSLD will also have billboards coming out this fall promoting programs and services as part of our 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.
- The all-staff meeting took place in early August and the theme was 'safety'. OSHA training was provided by David and staff took part in a fire drill.
- FY23 statistics were handed out to the library board.
- Special book sale promotions (Buck a book bag sale, 2-for-1 sale, AV sale, book flood sale, and holiday sales) were discussed.
- New book bags are coming out soon.

Committee Reports: None.

**Board Development:** None.

# **Discuss/Review/Act: Budget and Appropriation**

Mary provided the board with an overview of the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for FY24. Projects such as pending renovations (NSLD/Roscoe and NSLD/Loves Park Children's department), minimum wage increases and 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary programs and services were reviewed as part of the budget and appropriation overview.

Motion was made to approve the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance 2023-02 by Tom and seconded by Jane. All approved in a roll call vote. Motion carried.

#### Discuss/Review/Act: Decennial Committee

A motion was made to approve the Decennial Committee report by Sara and seconded by Marcy. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

## Discuss/Review/Act: Holiday Closing Schedule

Mary reviewed with the board the Thanksgiving schedule and requested the board close NSLD libraries on Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup> and pay full-time and part-time staff working over 20 hours.

Motion was to approve closing on Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup>, paying full-time and part-time staff over 20 hours, by Tom and seconded by Rachel. All approved with roll call vote. Absent: none. Motion carried.

Sara Porter left the meeting at 6:40pm.

#### **Old Business**

## Discuss/Review/Act: Building Projects

David went over the status of the NSLD/Loves Park parking lot project, the Comed electrical relocation project, the windows and door project, the signage project, the landscaping project and the metal door painting project.

### Discuss/Review/Act: Heating Unit

David requested that monies be allocated from the regular budget to allow him to reuse the heating unit that had been on the (newly installed) emergency exit door and window wall. David asked to be able to install the unit in the NSLD/Loves Park auditorium, on the outside wall.

Motion was made to approve spending up to \$12K for the installation of the heating unit at NSLD/Loves Park by Tom and seconded by Chris. All approved with a roll call vote. Absent: Sara. Motion carried.

**Correspondence**: Thank you card from NSLD staff member for memorial flowers.

Board Discussion: None.

**Motion to adjourn** was made at 6:50pm by Rachel and seconded by Jane. All approved. Absent: Sara. Motion carried.

Regular Session 9/21/2023

## **Regular Board Meeting**

**Call to Order:** Rachel Parry, Board President called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

**Present:** Rachel Parry, Melissa Leuzinger, Sara Porter and Christopher Galetsis. **Absent:** Tom Yoe, Jane Burden and Marcy Mitchell. **Staff Members:** Mary Petro and Brian McMahon.

Guests: None.

Public Comments: None.

**New Business:** 

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to accept the minutes of the August Board meeting was made by Rachel and seconded by Melissa. All approved. Absent: Tom, Jane and Marcy. Motion carried.

Motion to accept the minutes of the August Decennial Committee meeting was made by Melissa and seconded by Christopher. All approved. Absent: Tom, Jane and Marcy. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sara gave a review of the August financial reports. Brian provided additional comments on expenses. Motion was made by Sara and seconded by Rachel to approve the August bills paid report, financial summary, and treasurer's report. All approved. Absent: Tom, Jane and Marcy. Motion carried.

#### Librarian's Report:

- Some Illinois libraries have received bomb threats prompting RAILS and the ISL to provide staff training on security for library staff.
- Billboards will be up in the community for the On-the-Go campaign in October. NSLD will
  continue to have billboards promoting programs and services as part of our 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary
  celebration in 2024.
- The October 2023 and April 2024 solar eclipse is being recognized with solar themed handouts including; eclipse glasses, Sun chips, Moon pies, coloring sheets and informational instruction forms.
- Illinois Paid Leave is going into effect in January 2024. NSLD staff are attending training and working to update our workflows to accommodate this new law. In addition, staff are working on the 2024 holiday schedule.
- Book sale promotions continue at both NSLD libraries. Staff are planning upcoming (Buck a book bag sale, 2-for-1 sale, AV sale, book flood sale, and holiday sales) sales.
- NSLD has a new administrative assistant (Leslie Hammond) who is being trained. Brian is
  working on training this new staff member and working with the auditors on the FY23 audit.
  The auditors will be at the November board meeting to give the board their report.

Committee Reports: None.

**Board Development:** None.

Discuss/Review/Act: Estimate of Revenue by Source

Mary provided the board with an overview of this document that will be filed with both County clerks as part of the Budget and Appropriation and Levy process.

## Discuss/Review/Act: Black Border Notice, Truth in Taxation Notice

Mary reviewed with the board the information received from the attorney. NSLD does not need to file a BBN, or TIT notice, this year.

Discuss/Review/Act: Resolution to Determine Estimate of Funds to Be Raised by Taxation Motion was made to approve the Resolution to Determine Estimate of Funds to Be Raised by Taxation by Christopher and seconded by Sara. All approved. Absent: Tom, Jane and Marcy. Motion carried.

#### **Old Business**

## Discuss/Review/Act: Building Projects

Mary went over the status of the NSLD/Loves Park Comed electrical relocation project, the windows and door project, the signage project, the landscaping project and the Comcast line relocation project.

## Discuss/Review/Act: Public Copier Bid

Mary provided an update on the public copier bid project. The intent is to bring a recommendation to the board next month for approval.

**Correspondence**: Thank you card from NSLD staff member for memorial flowers.

Board Discussion: None.

**Motion to adjourn** was made at 6:05pm by Rachel and seconded by Sara. All approved. Absent: Tom, Jane and Marcy. Motion carried.

Regular Session 10/19/2023

## **Regular Board Meeting**

**Call to Order:** Rachel Parry, Board President called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

**Present:** Rachel Parry, Jane Burden, Tom Yoe, Melissa Leuzinger, Marcy Mitchell, Sara Porter and Christopher Galetsis. **Absent:** None. **Staff Members:** Mary Petro, Brian McMahon, and David Harding.

Guests: None

Public Comments: None

**New Business:** 

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to accept the minutes of the September Board meeting was made by Rachel and seconded by Melissa. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sara gave a review of the September financial reports. Brian provided additional information on the revenue and payments for various projects. Motion was made by Sara and seconded by Jane to approve the September bills paid report, financial summary, and treasurer's report. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

### Librarian's Report:

- NSLD received an anonymous donation of \$5,721.88 from a supporter through the Community Foundation of Northern Illinois. A thank you letter was sent from NSLD to the donor via CFNI.
- Mary provided a follow up to the board on the wording (equipping) in the B&A resolution.
- Billboards are out promoting programs and services as part of NSLD's 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
- Passive programs for October highlighted the solar eclipse.
- The book sale for the month of October highlights half off AV materials.
- The Carlson Ice Arena program was a success with about 200 people attending of all ages.

Committee Reports: None.

Board Development: None.

#### Discuss/Review/Act: Levy Ordinance

Mary and Brian provided the board with an overview of the Levy Ordinance for FY24.

Motion was made to approve the Levy Ordinance 2023-03 by Jane and seconded by Sara. All approved with a roll call vote. Absent: None. Motion carried.

#### Discuss/Review/Act: Illinois Paid Leave For All Workers Act

Mary and Brian provided information to the board on the Illinois Paid Leave For All Workers Act. A motion was made to approve changes to the paid time off process to accommodate the Illinois Paid Leave For All Workers Act by Melissa and seconded by Christopher. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

### Discuss/Review/Act: 2024 Holiday Closing Schedule

Mary reviewed with the board the 2024 Holiday Closing schedule.

Motion was to approve the 2024 Holiday Closing schedule, by Sara and seconded by Marcy. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

### **Discuss/Review/Act: Audit Project**

Mary reminded the board that the auditors from Lauterbach and Amen would be out to give the annual audit report to the board in November. Brian reviewed with the board the progress made to date on completing the audit, and went over some of the upcoming governmental accounting changes that could impact upcoming audits.

#### **Old Business**

## Discuss/Review/Act: Public Copier Bid

Mary reviewed with the board the status of the public copier project. Motion was made by Melissa and seconded by Jane to allow staff to negotiate with the vendor and spend up to/not to exceed \$25K to provide public copy services for NSLD libraries. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

## Discuss/Review/Act: Building Project Update

David provided the board with an update on the building projects currently taking place including the; windows and doors, lighting, landscaping, Comed pole relocation, Associated Electric quote, and signage project.

### **Discuss/Review/Act: Comcast Project**

David provided the board with an update on the Comcast project to relocate the fiber line to NSLD/Loves Park.

Motion was made by Sara and seconded by Rachel to spend up to \$40K for the relocation of the Comcast line. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

## Discuss/Review/Act: Memorial Sign Project

David provided the board with information on the North Suburban Women's Club (NSWC) Memorial sign project.

Motion was made by Jane and seconded by Melissa to spend up to \$25K for the purchase of a memorial sign for the NSWC. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

**Correspondence**: A card with a note was shared with the board.

**Board Discussion:** None.

**Motion to adjourn** was made at 6:30pm by Rachel and seconded by Jane. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Regular Session 11/16/2023

## **Regular Board Meeting**

Call to Order: Rachel Parry, Board President called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

**Present:** Rachel Parry, Jane Burden, Tom Yoe, Melissa Leuzinger, Marcy Mitchell, Sara Porter and Christopher Galetsis. **Absent:** None. **Staff Members:** Mary Petro, Brian McMahon, and David Harding.

Guests: Edwin Rivera, Lauderbach and Amen, LLP

#### Discuss/Review/Act: Audit

Edwin Rivera, from Lauterbach and Amen, reviewed the annual audit report with the Board and staff. Brian provided the Board with additional information that compared the audit numbers with the monthly Board financial report numbers.

Edwin Rivera left the meeting at 5:37pm.

Public Comments: None

**New Business:** 

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to accept the minutes of the October Board meeting was made by Jane and seconded by Marcy. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sara gave a review of the October financial reports. Brian provided additional information on the bill payment for various projects. Motion was made by Sara and seconded by Rachel to approve the October bills paid report, financial summary, and treasurer's report. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

## Librarian's Report:

Mary provided the library board with the following;

- NSLD is preparing to send out the winter newsletter in January.
- In November, NSLD cardholders had the opportunity to get access to Midway Village by showing their NSLD library card. The Anderson Garden is the next large venue program.
- Book sale promotions continue in December with the Icelandic tradition of book flood.
- The regular NSLD board meeting in January will take place at Roscoe.
- Longtime volunteers Doris and John Huene passed away. A memorial plaque will be going
  up on the endowment wall in their memory.

Committee Reports: None.

**Board Development:** None.

## Discuss/Review/Act: Mid-Year Pay Raises

Mary and Brian provided the board with information on the mid-year pay increase.

Motion was made to approve the 3% pay increase for NSLD staff by Sara and seconded by Jane. All approved with a roll call vote. Absent: None. Motion carried.

# **Discuss/Review/Act: Per Capita Grant Handout**

Mary provided information to the board on the Per Capita Grant.

# **Discuss/Review/Act: December Board Meeting**

Mary reviewed the upcoming meeting schedule with the board, reminding everyone that the January meeting was in NSLD/Roscoe and the board traditionally did not meet in December.

Motion was made by Melissa and seconded by Marcy to cancel the December board meeting. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

#### **Old Business**

## Discuss/Review/Act: Building Project Update

David provided the board with an update on the building projects currently taking place including the; windows and doors, lighting, landscaping, Comed/Comcast pole relocation, memorial sign, and directional signage projects.

Correspondence: A letter relating to domestic violence resources was shared with the board.

Board Discussion: None.

**Motion to adjourn** was made at 6:08pm by Rachel and seconded by Melissa. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Regular Session 1/18/2024

## **Regular Board Meeting**

**Call to Order:** Rachel Parry, Board President called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

**Present:** Rachel Parry, Tom Yoe, Melissa Leuzinger, Marcy Mitchell, Sara Porter and Christopher Galetsis. **Absent:** Jane Burden. **Staff Members:** Mary Petro, Brian McMahon, David Harding, Kristi Fane, Leslie Hammond, and Josh Hancock.

Guests: Cathy Karlshoej, Renee Mealey, Greg and Darlene Cober

Public Comments: None

**New Business:** 

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to accept the minutes of the November Board meeting was made by Tom and seconded by Chris. All approved. Absent: Jane. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sara gave a review of the November financial reports. Motion was made by Sara and seconded by Tom to approve the November bills paid report, financial summary, and treasurer's report. All approved. Absent: Jane. Motion carried.

Sara gave a review of the December financial reports. Motion was made by Sara and seconded by Rachel to approve the December bills paid report, financial summary, and treasurer's report. All approved. Absent: Jane. Motion carried.

#### Librarian's Report:

Mary provided the library board with the following report;

- NSLD is preparing to host the PrairieCat Delegates assembly in January.
- Book sale promotions, in the form of community billboards, go out in February as part of Library Lovers Month.
- Weather disruptions due to snow, wind and ice impacted library operations this month. The Nicholas Conservatory train program was rescheduled to Saturday, January 20<sup>th</sup>.
- The YMCA program is coming up next week.
- A letter was shared with the board that recognizes the contributions of the now disbanded local history committee. The letter includes information on current local history projects and thanks the remaining members for their contributions. This is part of the work being done to celebrate NSLD's upcoming 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary. A copy of the letter will go to Bob Burden, who was the committee chair, so that he might put some comments on it prior to being sent to the remaining committee members.

Committee Reports: None.

**Board Development:** None.

Discuss/Review/Act: Tour of NSLD/Roscoe

David provided the board and guests a tour of NSLD/Roscoe.

**Discuss Review/Act: Floating Holidays** 

Mary and Brian explained to the board how floating holiday hours has been replaced with Illinois Paid Leave For All Worker's Act (IPLAWA).

# Discuss/Review/Act: Budget Process Review

Mary provided information to the board on the budget process.

## **Discuss/Review/Act: Per Capita Grant Handout**

Mary reported to the board that the Per Capita Grant, annual certification, the Interlibrary Loan Traffic Survey, and the acknowledgement that NSLD has a materials policy(s) that meets the criteria for the new State law has been completed. The Per Capita grant and supporting documentation will be filed with the Illinois State Library (ISL), this month.

#### **Old Business**

### Discuss/Review/Act: Building Project Update

David provided the board with an update on the Comed/Comcast pole relocation project. The project had to be rescheduled (1/11 and on 1/18) due to weather.

Correspondence: A thank you note from staff was shared with the board.

Board Discussion: None.

**Motion to adjourn** was made at 6:28pm by Tom and seconded by Rachel. All approved. Absent: Jane. Motion carried.

Regular Session 2/15/2024

## **Regular Board Meeting**

**Call to Order:** Rachel Parry, Board President called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

**Present:** Rachel Parry, Jane, Burden, Tom Yoe, Melissa Leuzinger, Marcy Mitchell, Sara Porter and Christopher Galetsis. **Absent:** None. **Staff Members:** Mary Petro, Brian McMahon, David Harding.

Guests: Amanda Miller, Greg and Darlene Cober

Public Comments: None

**New Business:** 

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to accept the minutes of the January Board meeting was made by Tom and seconded by Jane. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sara gave a review of the January financial reports. Motion was made by Sara and seconded by Chris to approve the January bills paid report, financial summary, and treasurer's report. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

### Librarian's Report:

Mary provided the library board with the following report;

- Book sale billboards are out in the community as part of National Library Lovers Month
  promotions. There appear to be more people coming in to shop the sale. Staff will have
  more data once the monthly sales tally is done. The book sale promotion is another way for
  library staff to test the impact of the billboards.
- NSLD staff saw an increase in the use of online materials. eBooks, eAudiobooks, eMagazines, videos and online mobile app between February 2023 and February 2024. This is when the 'On the Go Campaign' started, so it is possible that this campaign may be impacting usage in these areas.
- Staff recently learned that there was a \$5 fee for late returns that didn't get removed in the move to 'fine free' last year. This fee has now been removed.

Committee Reports: None.

**Board Development:** None.

#### Discuss/Review/Act: Non-Resident Fees

Mary Petro made a recommendation to the board to approve the FY25 non-resident fee of \$125. Motion was made to approve the FY25 non-resident fee rate of \$125 by Rachel and seconded by Tom. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

### Discuss Review/Act: NSLD 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Mary proposed holding an 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event at NSLD/Loves Park in the large meeting room on April 17<sup>th</sup> at 11am. Discussion took place on this event and the plan to highlight library programs and services as part of the 80<sup>th</sup> celebration in 2024.

### Discuss/Review/Act: Credit Card Agreements

Mary reported updated the board on the plan to move the credit card agreements to Associated Bank so this service can be under the same umbrella as other treasury/banking services making it easier to audit and get service when the board and staff need it.

## Discuss/Review/Act: Budget Process Review

Mary provided information to the board on the budget process, specifically proposed special projects and computer projects for FY25. The staff proposed the NSLD/Roscoe roof replacement and HVAC curbing and structural improvements for FY25. In addition to these capital improvements there will be funds allocated in the special projects line for library programs and services to support new projects and the 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary programs and promotions.

Mary provided the board with information on the eRate category 1 and 2 projects that include new servers as part of the technology plan. Funds for this new equipment will be included in the FY25 budget.

#### **Old Business**

# Discuss/Review/Act: Building Project Update

David provided the board with an update on the Comed/Comcast pole relocation project, which is largely completed at this time.

Discuss/Review/Act: NSLD/Roscoe HVAC and Roof Project

Mary provided an overview of the NSLD/Roscoe renovation project, which is currently undergoing review. The plan remains, at this time, to do the NSLD/Roscoe renovation in stages much like the NSLD/Loves Park renovation is being done.

Discussion took place on the need to replace the NSLD/Roscoe roof and to make structural improvements to the HVAC units. David provided information to the board on the improvements that will be needed and shared some information on the timeline, costs, service interruptions, and unknowns at this time regarding the overall project. The need for to review the existing roof and HVAC setup, develop plans, support the bid process and then the implementation of the project was discussed.

Motion was made to hire IMEG for a not to exceed amount of \$40K to create structural drawings, bid documents and support the work process was made by Melissa and seconded by Tom. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Motion was made to hire IRCA for a not to exceed amount of \$10K to develop roof specifications, bid documents and support the work process was made by Rachel and seconded by Jane. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

**Correspondence**: A thank you note from staff was shared with the board.

Board Discussion: None.

**Motion to adjourn** was made at 6:32pm by Tom and seconded by Rachel. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

Regular Session 3/21/2024

### **Regular Board Meeting**

Call to Order: Rachel Parry, Board President called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

Present: Rachel Parry, Jane, Burden, Tom Yoe, Melissa Leuzinger, Marcy Mitchell, Sara Porter and

Christopher Galetsis. Absent: None. Staff Members: Mary Petro, Brian McMahon.

Guests: None.

Public Comments: None

**New Business:** 

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to accept the minutes of the February Board meeting was made by Tom and seconded by Jane. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sara gave a review of the February financial reports. Motion was made by Sara and seconded by Marcy to approve the February bills paid report, financial summary, and treasurer's report. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

### Librarian's Report:

Mary provided the library board with the following report;

- The old credit card machines have been returned and the new credit card machines are up and running. The public copiers are also set up and running at both NSLD libraries.
- The monthly Book sale featured AV materials this month.
- NSLD has a number of staff who are out for health-related reasons. Some staff are on Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA). Supervisors are filling in while these staff have to step away.
- NSLD/Loves Park was a polling site for the spring election and 251 people voted. The next election will be on November 11<sup>th</sup> and it is likely to be a busy day. Supervisors are already scheduling extra staff for this day, which we anticipate will be a busy one at the library.
- The April all-staff will take place on Friday, April 5th. NSLD will open at 1:00pm.

Committee Reports: None.

Board Development: None.

**New Business** 

Discuss/Review/Act: Director's Evaluation

Mary handed out information on the Director's evaluation to the board members.

**Old Business** 

**Discuss Review/Act: Budget FY25** 

Brian and Mary reviewed the draft FY25 budget.

**Discuss/Review/Act: NSLD 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** Mary reviewed the planning for the NSLD 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Discuss/Review/Act: Building Project Update

Mary provided the board with an update on the Comed/Comcast pole relocation project, which is completed at this time.

Correspondence: None.

Board Discussion: None.

Motion to adjourn was made at 6:05pm by Rachel and seconded by Chris. All approved. Absent:

None. Motion carried.

Regular Session 4/18/2024

### **Regular Board Meeting**

Call to Order: Rachel Parry, Board President called the meeting to order at 5:32pm.

**Present:** Rachel Parry, Jane, Burden, Tom Yoe, Melissa Leuzinger, Marcy Mitchell, Sara Porter and Christopher Galetsis. **Absent:** None. **Staff Members:** Mary Petro, Brian McMahon, David Harding.

Guests: Amanda Miller, Jo Beck, Greg and Darlene Cober, Nerino Petro.

Public Comments: None.

**New Business:** 

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to accept the minutes of the March Board meeting was made by Tom and seconded by Jane. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sara gave a review of the March financial reports. Motion was made by Sara and seconded by Chris to approve the March bills paid report, financial summary, and treasurer's report. All approved. Absent: None. Motion carried.

### Librarian's Report:

Mary provided the library board with the following report;

- The NSLD 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration took place 4/17/24. A thank you to Jane and Bob for sharing memories of the history of NSLD, our programs and services. The 'On the go' campaign celebrating NSLD's 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary continues. There is an uptick in use of library programs and services. The board and staff continue to listen and review, adjust and adapt program and services workflows/systems to accommodate the increased usage and requests for new programs.
- NSLD continues to have a number of staff on Family Medical Leave Act (FMLA). Supervisors
  are filling in while these staff have to step away.
- At the Friday, April 5<sup>th</sup> meeting, library staff met to go over the upcoming summer reading club programming. NSLD staff have a strong system that involves using a timeline, plan and budget for programming and services to keep everyone (staff, board and patrons) in the loop.

Committee Reports: None.

Board Development: None.

**Old Business** 

Discuss Review/Act: Budget FY25

Motion was made by Jane and seconded by Tom to approve the FY25 budget. All approved. None absent. Motion carried.

Discuss/Review/Act: .02% Building and Grounds Maintenance Levy Ordinance 2024-01

Motion was made by Tom and seconded by Chris to approve the .02% Building and Grounds Maintenance Levy 2024-01. All approved. None absent. Motion carried.

# Discuss/Review/Act: Building Project Update

David provided the board with an update on the status of the NSLD/Roscoe roof/HVAC project.

#### **New Business**

#### Discuss/Review/Act: Director's Evaluation

The board met in Closed Session (5 ILCS 120/2 (c )1) at 6:00pm to review the Director's evaluation.

Correspondence: None.

Board Discussion: None.

Motion to adjourn was made at 6:15pm by Rachel and seconded by Sarah. All approved. Absent:

None. Motion carried.

Regular Session 5/16/2024

### **Regular Board Meeting**

Call to Order: Rachel Parry, Board President called the meeting to order at 5:32pm.

**Present:** Rachel Parry, Jane, Burden, Tom Yoe, Melissa Leuzinger and Sara Porter. **Absent:** Marcy Mitchell, Christopher Galetsis. **Staff Members:** Mary Petro, Brian McMahon, David Harding.

**Guests:** Nicole Johnson Adult and Teen Services Department Head and Kristi Fane, Customer Services, Technical Services and Cataloging Department Head.

Public Comments: None.

#### **New Business:**

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to accept the minutes of the April Board meeting was made by Sara and seconded by Tom. All approved. Absent: Marcy and Chris. Motion carried. Motion to accept the closed minutes of the April Board meeting was made by Sara and seconded by Jane. All approved. Absent: Marcy and Chris. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sara gave a review of the April financial reports. Motion was made by Sara and seconded by Rachel to approve the April bills paid report, financial summary, and treasurer's report. All approved. Absent: Marcy and Chris. Motion carried.

#### Librarian's Report:

Mary provided the library board with the following report;

- The NSLD 80<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration includes expanded program and services to support cost-effective systems to serve the residents.
- The Summer Reading Club "Read, Renew, and Repeat" starts on May 28th. This program encourages recreational reading for residents of all ages.
- The summer newsletter is mailing this month. In the newsletter are the list of upcoming largevenue programs.

**Board Development:** NSLD staff have been working to create an outreach system called 'display in a box' to provide schools, agencies and groups who want to have a library presence at their event with information. NSLD staff are also working to create a community cart that will allow agencies who reside in the library district and want to have a presence at NSLD libraries a space to put out information.

#### **New Business**

**Discuss/Review/Act: Materials (Programs, display) purchases, weeding and challenges**Nicole went over the NSLD review of materials (programs, displays) purchases, weeding and challenges process polices. This review supports the need for board orientation on this topic and for the Per Capita Grant requirements.

Discuss Review/Act: Budget FY25

Motion was made by Tom and seconded by Jane to pass the proposed revised FY25 budget. All approved. Marcy and Chris were absent. Motion carried.

# Discuss/Review/Act: Trustee Resignation

The board accepted Tom Yoe's letter of resignation. Board President Rachel Parry thanked Tom for his service to the library district. Members of the board thanked Tom for all his support and help with financial and other matters.

#### **Old Business**

# Discuss/Review/Act: Building Project Update

Mary provided the board with an update on the status of the NSLD/Roscoe roof/HVAC project.

Correspondence: None.

Board Discussion: None.

**Motion to adjourn** was made at 6:25pm by Tom and seconded by Jane. All approved. Absent: Chris and Marcy. Motion carried.

Regular Session 6/20/2024

### **Regular Board Meeting**

Call to Order: Rachel Parry, Board President called the meeting to order at 5:35pm.

Present: Rachel Parry, Melissa Leuzinger, Marcy Mitchell, Sara Porter and Christopher Galetsis.

Absent: Jane Burden. Staff Members: Mary Petro and Brian McMahon.

Guests: Amanda Miller.

Public Comments: None.

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion to accept the minutes of the May Board meeting was made by Sara and seconded by Rachel. All approved. Absent: Jane. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sara gave a review of the May financial reports. Motion was made by Melissa and seconded by Chris to approve the May bills paid report, financial summary, and treasurer's report. All approved. Absent: Jane. Motion carried.

## Librarian's Report:

Mary provided the library board with the following report;

- Mary is filling in for a number of staff who are out of the office this month and last.
- The NSLD Summer Reading Club (SRC) is underway. Library traffic has increased due to programming and there is an uptick in new library cards being issued.
- The summer programming is taking place. The large-venue programs are very popular with patrons and they allow NSLD to provide programming to the large number of guests who are attending summer reading club events.

**Board Development:** NSLD libraries rely on a high level of patron self-service systems. These include the hold lockers, the mobile app, the online catalogs, and the self-checkout systems to name a few. Having these options available to patrons, allows the library staff to operate service desks at two library locations, and provide the number of services we offer to the public with the number of library staff we have on payroll.

#### **New Business**

# **Discuss/Review/Act: Interview for Board of Trustees**

The board interviewed Amanda Miller for the open board trustee position. The motion was made by Rachel, and seconded by Melissa, to appoint Amanda Miller to complete the vacant 2-year term on the NSLD Board of Trustees. All approved. Absent: Jane. Motion carried.

Discuss Review/Act: Trustee Oath of Office

Melissa gave the Oath of Office to the new trustee; Amanda Miller. Amanda Miller was sworn in.

Discuss/Review/Act: FOIA

The library director is the official FOIA officer for NSLD. Leslie Hammond is being trained in FOIA to provide additional support for FOIA requests. The board was reminded to route any information requests to Mary Petro in order to support FOIA.

#### **Old Business**

## Discuss/Review/Act: Building Project Update

Mary provided the board with an update on the status of the NSLD/Roscoe roof/HVAC project, which is currently on hold while David is out of the office.

Correspondence: None.

Board Discussion: None.

**Motion to adjourn** was made at 6:10pm by Rachel and seconded by Sara. All approved. Absent: Jane. Motion carried.