

**MINUTES OF THE LIBRARY BOARD**  
**Oshkosh Public Library**  
November 30, 2023

The meeting of the Oshkosh Public Library Board of Trustees was held on November 30, 2023, in the Lower Level of the Oshkosh Public Library. The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM by President, Bill Bracken.

A roll call was taken. Present were: Bill Bracken, Kim Brown, Susan Fojtik, Lindsey Mugerauer, Baron Perlman, David Romond, Amber Shemanski and Tony Kneepkens, Adjunct Board Member. Absent were: Larry Lautenschlager, Christine Melms-Simon and David Rucker. Others present were: Ruth Percey, Interim Co-Director; Lisa Voss, Interim Co-Director, Laura McDonald, Marketing Coordinator; Julie Schmude, Business Manager; Marcy Cannon, Administrative Specialist II; Jonathan Richie, Oshkosh Herald and Tracie Schlaak, Administrative Specialist.

There were no public comments.

**Consent Agenda Items:**

- **Minutes** of the Regular Meeting held on October 26, 2023
- **Minutes** of the Special Board Meeting held on November 7, 2023
- **Minutes** of the Special Board Meeting held November 16, 2023
- **Vouchers Payable** - \$322,313.37
- **Revised position descriptions:** Reader's Advisory Librarian (Information Services); Digital Services Librarian (Information Services); Library Assistant II (Technical Services)

**Motion** to approve the consent agenda as presented with changes to the October 26, 2023 minutes and November 16, 2023 minutes.

**Motion:** Romond; **Second:** Perlman; **Vote:** Unanimous

Kim Brown arrived at 4:15 PM

**New Business**

- **2024 Calendar of Library Board Meetings**

**Motion** to approve the 2024 Calendar of Library Board Meetings as presented.

**Motion:** Fojtik; **Second:** Perlman; **Vote:** Unanimous

- **2024 Schedule of Library Closings**

**Motion** to approve the 2024 Schedule of Library Closings as presented.

**Motion:** Romond; **Second:** Perlman; **Vote:** Unanimous

**Library Co-Director's Report**

- Lisa Voss gave an update on the transfer of the OPL Memorial Fund
- Ruth Percey indicated that they are working on a policy limiting the number of items that a patron can bring into the library.

**Closed Session:** The Oshkosh Public Library Board convened in closed session pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(c) of the Wisconsin Statutes to consider the employment of a public employee over which the Board has jurisdiction and exercises responsibility and Section 19.85(1)(f) of the Wisconsin Statutes for consideration of the social or personal histories of specific persons which if discussed in public would be likely to have a

substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories and for the following purposes:

- to confirm the person the board wants to hire for the Oshkosh Public Library Director Position.

**Motion** to go into Closed Session at 4:20 PM.

**Motion:** Perlman; **Second:** Mugerauer; **Vote:** Unanimous after a roll call vote

### **Return to Open Session**

**Motion** to return to Open Session at 4:25 PM.

**Motion:** Perlman; **Second:** Fojtik; **Vote:** Unanimous after a roll call vote

**Motion** to hire Darryl Eschete as the new Oshkosh Public Library Director, starting on January 15, 2024, at a salary of \$121,010 annually and reimbursement up to \$10,000 for moving expenses.

**Motion:** Perlman; **Second:** Shemanski; **Vote:** Unanimous

### **Adjournment**

**Motion:** To adjourn the meeting at 4:29 PM

**Motion:** Shemanski; **Second:** Mugerauer; **Vote:** Unanimous

Respectfully,

Lisa Voss, Interim Co-Director  
Tracie Schlaak – Recorder