

WILLOUGHBY-EASTLAKE PUBLIC LIBRARY
Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Monday, January 6, 2025, 5:00 p.m., WEPL Administrative Offices

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Petruccio at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Ms. Clampitt, Mrs. El-Khoury, Mr. Mackey, Mr. Monin, Mrs. Petruccio

Also present:

Director Rick Werner; Deputy Director Eric Linderman; Fiscal and Compliance Officer Vicki Simmons; Executive Assistant/Board Liaison Trisha Lastoria. Jason Nolde from GPD Group and Tom Johnson.

Absent: Mr. Buttari, Mrs. Roseum

Additions to the agenda: no additions to the agenda

Citizen Comments: no comments

Oath of office given to Ashley El-Khoury for Board Vice President; acting as President in the absence of Board President Sue Roseum.

RESOLUTION 01-25

Mr. Monin moved and Mrs. Petruccio seconded that the Board approve the recommendation of a general contractor for the renovation of the WEPL Administration Building.

On roll call the following vote was cast: Mr. Buttari “Absent”, Ms. Clampitt, “Yes”, Mrs. El-Khoury “Yes”, Mr. Mackey “Yes”, Mr. Monin “Yes”, Mrs. Petruccio “Yes”, Mrs. Roseum “Absent”. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 02-25

Mr. Monin moved and Mrs. Petruccio seconded that the Board approve the recommendation of the Trane HVAC for the WEPL Administration Building.

On roll call the following vote was cast: Mr. Buttari “Absent”, Ms. Clampitt, “Yes”, Mrs. El-Khoury “Yes”, Mr. Mackey “Yes”, Mr. Monin “Yes”, Mrs. Petruccio “Yes”, Mrs. Roseum “Absent”. Motion carried.

MOTION 03-25

Mrs. Petruccio moved and Mr. Mackey seconded that the Board approve the IRS mileage rate at 70 cents per mile for 2025.

On roll call the following vote was cast: Mr. Buttari “Absent”, Ms. Clampitt, “Yes”, Mrs. El-Khoury “Yes”, Mr. Mackey “Yes”, Mr. Monin “Yes”, Mrs. Petruccio “Yes”, Mrs. Roseum “Absent”. Motion carried.

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DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL 2025 OPERATING LEVY TIMELINE

Items discussed:

- Renewal 2 mill levy up in 2025/2026-what is Board's approach-discussion to be held at next two meetings. Levy can be on ballot 2026 or earliest November 2025
- \$4,500.00 in levy bank account-Ben Russo is still treasurer
- Zoom meeting will be scheduled for discussion on fundraiser in late spring/early summer
- Rick will email info to personal emails
- By March levy needs to be on agenda for passage by Board for school district to go on the ballot in the fall
- Ms. Simmons prefers the levy to go on the ballot in November, will still be able to go out two more times.
- Will need to decide by March. Board email questions to be addressed at the February meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION 04-25

Mrs. Petruccio moved and Mr. Mackey seconded that the Board adjourn at 5:51 p.m.

On the roll call the following vote was cast: All "Ayes." Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Board President

Board Secretary