

**Brentwood Public Library
Board of Trustees Special Meeting
July 19, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL FOR QUORUM

President Wright called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. Board members present were Ed Wright (President), Kathy Ryan (Vice-President), Lori Ashmore-Ruppel, Beth Miller Erman, Jeanette Oesterly, Laura McAllister, Kelsey Burkemper, Angela BoClair-Jones and Cindy Bechtel. Also present Gina Gibbons, Library Director.

ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

A motion was made to change the agenda to delete the section to approve the minutes and the executive session and add New Business to review the tax levy information. A motion to approve the agenda as amended was moved by B. Miller Erman and seconded by J. Oesterly. All members voted aye.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the June meeting will be approved at the regular September meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were submitted from visitors. Public comments will be accepted by email or in person (when possible) to the Library Director.

OLD BUSINESS

Ashcroft Rule -

The updated policy was reviewed by the board. The library needs to add the approval date to the policies.

In the policy, in the line that states, "Patrons may take issues with library materials," delete the remainder of the sentence that says "that do not support their tastes and views." In the line, "The library director will respond, and if there remains concern, the request will then be forward," change "forward" to "forwarded". Change the phrase "and if there remains concern" to read "if concerns remain."

In the "Request for Reconsideration of Library Materials" form, delete the question "What of value is there in this work?"

A motion to approve the policy and form is moved by K. Ryan and seconded by A. BoClair-Jones. All members voted aye, and the motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

Tax rate -

The library requests a tax rate of 0.30 for the hearing in September. A motion to approve the tax rate request was made to J. Oesterly and seconded by C. Bechtel. All members voted aye, and the motion passed.

Aldermanic Report

Kathy O'Neil is moving to Colorado, so she is not continuing to serve as an alderperson and will be unable to serve as the library liaison. The board expresses its appreciation for O'Neil's support and advocacy over the years and wishes her the best in her new home. We will miss her.

ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting is at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 12 in the Library meeting room. A motion to adjourn was moved by K. Ryan and seconded by C. Bechtel at 6:59 p.m. All members voted aye.