

New Lenox Public Library District Board of Trustees Meeting
120 Veterans Parkway, New Lenox, Illinois
December 11, 2023
Decennial Committee Meeting – 6:00 p.m.



MINUTES

The meeting of the New Lenox Public Library District Board of Trustees Decennial Committee was called to order at 6:00 pm by Decennial Committee Chairperson Michelle Krooswyk on Monday, December 11, 2023 at the New Lenox Library, 120 Veterans Parkway, New Lenox, Illinois.

Trustees Present at the Library Building: President Alex Vancina, Vice President Michelle Monbrod, Secretary Erin Moncek, Treasurer Dr. Edward Tatro, Trustee Cari Didion, Trustee Terry Nolan

Trustees Present, Remote: Trustee Colette Loecke joined online at 6:03pm

Other Committee Members Present: Library District Resident Leslie Lavato, Library District Resident Sandra Zurawski

Staff present: Executive Director Michelle Krooswyk; Assistant Director Shalyn Rodriguez; Administrative Assistant Andrea Concaidi; Youth Services Manager Alissa Raschke-Janchenko

Audience to Visitors

- None

New Business

- The purpose of this meeting is to review
 - I. Information about our Library
 - II. Information about our Decennial Committee
 - III. Core Programs or Services Offered by our Library
 - IV. Awards and Recognitions
 - V. Intergovernmental Agreements
 - VI. Community Partnerships
 - VII. Review of Laws, Policies, and Procedures, Training Materials, and other Documents
 - VIII. What Have We Done Well?
 - IX. What are our next steps?
 - X. Studies on Governmental Efficiencies
 - XI. Our Committee's Recommendations Regarding Increased Accountability and Efficiency

Discussion

- President Alex Vancina added that the list should mention the Library's electronic resources such as digital databases to our list of existing core services.
- Secretary Erin Moncek added that the Library's programs and services that offer support to people with special needs, such as books with dyslexia-friendly fonts that can be checked out with their matching audiobooks, should be included.
- Vice President Michelle Monbrod added that the document should include the Library's programs and services for senior citizens. Executive Director Michelle Krooswyk explained the Library's partnership with Triad and the Library's Senior Coffee program.

- Trustee Terry Nolan asked if the Library has outreach to local schools. Executive Director Michelle Krooswyk described outreach programs the Library has with local public and private schools.
- Library District Resident Sandra Zurawski asked if the Library conducts preschool outreach. Assistant Director Shalyn Rodriguez affirmed that the Library conducts outreach to both Pre-School and Kindergarten.
- President Alex Vancina added that the document should elaborate on “facility upgrades” and “technology upgrades” in the Library’s “What Have We Done Well?” section. Trustee Terry Nolan added that the lobby renovations are of particular interest.
- Library Resident Sandra Zurawski recommended mentioning “Increased Hours” in the Library’s “What Have We Done Well?” section because the Library addressed patrons’ interests.
- The Board’s feedback about the Decennial Committee meeting was overwhelmingly positive, praising Executive Director Michelle Krooswyk’s organization and presentation skills.
- All committee members agreed to schedule the next Decennial Committee Meeting for 6:00pm on March 11, 2024.

Executive Session

- None

Adjournment

- Decennial Committee Chairperson Michelle Krooswyk adjourned the Decennial Committee meeting at 6:40 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea Concaildi

Administrative Assistant/Recording Secretary