

BALDWIN LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES, TRUST MEETING January 22, 2020

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Ashley Aidenbaum at 8:38 p.m.

Library Board present: Ashley Aidenbaum, Melissa Mark, Frank Pisano, Jim Suhay, Bob Tera, and Jennifer Wheeler.

Absent and excused: None.

Library Staff present: Doug Koschik, Director; Rebekah Craft, Associate Director; and, Robert Stratton, Administrative Assistant.

Friends of the Library Liaison present: None.

Contract community representatives present: None.

Members of the public present: None.

2. <u>Consent Agenda</u>

Motion to approve the consent agenda, which included the Trust minutes, and receipts and disbursements.

1st Tera 2nd Suhay A roll call vote was taken. Yeas: Aidenbaum, Mark, Pisano, Suhay, Tera, and Wheeler. Nays: None. Absent and excused: None. The motion was approved unanimously.

3. <u>New and Miscellaneous Business:</u>

Pisano stated that the Trust performed extremely well in 2019, and mentioned that he feels comfortable with the new investment strategy presented by Ron Carpenter of Raymond James.

4. <u>General Public Comment Period</u>

David Bloom, of Birmingham, expressed dissatisfaction with the proposal for Phase 3. He believes that the project does not achieve enough goals, given its cost. Among other things, he would like to see a higher-grade café than the one currently being proposed. He suggested that more money might have to be spent on the project.

Aidenbaum responded that the Board values Bloom's thoughtful comments and will consider them carefully.

Suhay provided Mr. Bloom with a copy of the Phase 3 report.

Pisano noted that there will be plenty of time for discussion about Phase 3 since the plans for it are still highly conceptual, and construction is not scheduled to begin until 2023.

Bloom also asked the Library to start holding, once again, publicly-noticed Building Committee meetings. The Board said it would start doing so within a few weeks.

5. <u>Adjournment:</u>

Motion: To adjourn the meeting.

1st Tera 2nd Mark

Yeas: Aidenbaum, Mark, Pisano, Suhay, Tera, and Wheeler.

Nays: None.

Absent and excused: None.

The motion was approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 8:48 p.m. The next regular meeting will be on Monday, February 17, 2020.

Frank Pisano, Secretary

Date