

**Library Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**Thursday, December 15, 2022**

1. Call to Order by Elizabeth Campion, Board President at 7:01 pm. Present: Vice President, Eric Walton; Treasurer, Mary Beth Kane; Trustee: Veronica Salciccioli, and Director, Kristen Valyi-Hax
2. Approval of Meeting Agenda: Motion made by Mary Beth Kane, seconded by Veronica Salciccioli. Motion carried.
3. Approval of Minutes from November meeting. Motion made by Mary Beth Kane. Seconded by Veronica Salciccioli. Motion carried.
4. Presentation to Frank Sosnowski. Today, we are here to honor Frank Sosnowski and his service to the City of Harper Woods and The Harper Woods Public Library. He served as President of the Library Board for over 35 years. Frank is here with his sons, Matthew and Mark. Frank was be presented with a plaque from the library board, which will hang in the library for all to see. He was also presented with a certificate for him to keep at home.
5. Reports:
  - A. Board President's Report: We are proud to honor Frank and his service to the library.
  - B. Treasurer's Report: Submitted on paper.
  - C. SLC Representatives Report: Submitted on paper. There are 3 staff members celebrating 5 years with the library.
  - D. Staff Reports: There was no report this month. No SLC meeting in December.
6. Ongoing Business
  - A. Lower Level Update: The contract with BMS Cat/Jarvis has been signed. All of the drywall has been put up, and the painting is nearly done. Carpeting is scheduled to begin soon.
  - B. Courtesy Card for Students: There is no update. Veronica has not been able to contact anyone yet. She will reach out to Tyrone Elementary staff as well as to the principal at Beacon Elementary.
7. New Business
  - A. 2023 Library Board Meetings: Kristen presented the schedule for the library's board meetings. Mary Beth Kane made a motion to approve the 2023 Library Board meetings, seconded by Eric Walton. Motion carried.
  - B. Library Achievements 2022: Kristen presented a list of what the library has accomplished this year including transitioning to a new library system, continuing to fix the lower level, and attending National Night Out, including a variety of other achievements.
  - C. Election of Officers: The members of the Library Board decided that they will continue to serve in their current roles for 2023. The roles are as follows: President Elizabeth Campion, Vice President Eric Walton, and Treasurer Mary Beth Kane. Veronica

motioned to approve the election of officers and seconded by Mary Beth Kane. Motion carried.

D. 2023 Budget: The Library Board discussed the 2023 budget. The budget remains very similar to the 2022 budget.

8. Call to Public: Mayor Valerie Kindle brought a certificate of recognition for Frank Sosnowski. Mary Beth Kane volunteered to pass it along to one of Frank's sons so that Frank will receive it. Newly elected State Representative Veronica Paiz stopped by to say thanks for voting for her and acknowledge working with Frank while she served on the library board. League of Women Voters volunteer Dawn Drozd asked when the library's lower level will be available. She also asked if minutes are posted to the library's website and was told that they are posted after they are approved by the board. Councilman Ivery Toussaint said that he has heard about salary issues at library. There are issues with salary and would like to see that they (City Council) can get their salaries increased. The City Council recognizes that salaries for library staff need to increase.

9. Call to Board: No Extra Comments.

10. Meeting adjourned 8:04 PM