

**RFPL TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING  
MARCH 10, 2015  
6:15 PM  
MINUTES**

**Present:** Carol Blackwood, Chair; Doreen Aldrich, John Bohannon, Karin Fischer, Pat Fowler, David Gould, L. Raymond Massucco & Martha Rowley, Trustees

**Absent:** Leslie Lassetter

**Others:** Steve Geller

**Call to Order:** Chairperson Blackwood called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

**Additions to Agenda:** (for routine administrative matters and/or pressing matters that will require ratification at a future meeting): There were no additions.

**Public Comment:** (Max 3 min/person, 10 min. total limit to be divided between people who desire to speak) Steve Geller said he understands the need to limit the public comment period and urged the board to rethink the way we limit it. Discussion followed. Blackwood said her thought was to limit it so the public didn't take over the whole meeting with their comments. Everyone will get time to speak on each agenda item; but she will work on rewording this.

**Oath of Office:** Everyone present took their oath of office and Aldrich, Fowler and Massucco notarized them. Houlne will keep them on file at the library.

**Election of Officers:** Aldrich moved to nominate Blackwood as Chairperson seconded by Massucco. There were no other nominations and the motion passed. Gould nominated Bohannon as Vice Chair seconded by Fischer and the motion passed. Massucco nominated Fowler for Treasurer seconded by Gould. There were no other nominations and the motion passed. Massucco nominated Fischer as Secretary, seconded by Gould. There being no other nominations, the motion passed.

**Selection of Regular Meeting Date/Time:** Aldrich moved to continue with the present schedule; the fourth Tuesday of the month at 6:15 p.m. Gould seconded and the motion passed.

**Affirmation of Rules of Procedure Policy and code of Ethics:** Motion by Gould and seconded by Fischer that the present board re-adopt the Affirmation of Rules of Procedure Policy. The motion passed. Aldrich moved to re-adopt the Code of Ethics Policy seconded by Gould. The motion passed. Geller urged the trustees to develop a more specific policy; an outline of what one would recuse his or herself for.

**Trustee Committees and Assignment Requests:** Each Trustee was asked to fill out a committee assignment sheet and number by preference. These were passed to Blackwood at the end of the meeting. Houlne said there is nothing to describe the actual committee. Massucco felt that broad rule works and doesn't limit us. Bohannon asked if "Strategic Planning" is the same as "Long Range Planning". Houlne said she would like to change long range to strategic.

**New Business:** There was no new business

**Review and Approve Warrants:** Warrants were approved and signed.

**Executive Session:** Gould moved to enter into Executive Session at 7:10 p.m. for the purpose of discussing mediation regarding SMP where premature general public knowledge would clearly place the RFPL at a substantial disadvantage. The motion was seconded by Massucco and the motion passed.

At 7:41 p.m., the trustees came out of executive session. Gould moved to send Massucco to the mediation regarding the SMP contract as the sole representative of the RFPL Trustees on the advice of our counsel. Fischer seconded the motion and the motion carried.

**Adjourn:** There being no further business; Gould moved to adjourn at 7:44 p.m., seconded by Fowler. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted: *Doreen Aldrich*, Secretary  
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