

LISLE LIBRARY DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
January 13, 2021 - 7:06 p.m.

1. Roll call

Present:

Thomas Hummel - President
Marjorie Bartelli - Vice President (via GoToWebinar)
Jenny Norton - Treasurer (via GoToWebinar)
Emily Swistak - Secretary (via GoToWebinar)
Thomas Duffy - Trustee (via GoToWebinar)
Karen Larson - Trustee
Liz Sullivan - Trustee (via GoToWebinar)

Also present:

Tatiana Weinstein - Director
Beth McQuillan - Assistant Director
Chris Knight - Recording Secretary
Marc Rogers - CCS International Inc., Project Manager (via GoToWebinar)
Don McKay - Sheehan, Nagle, Hartray Architects, Principle (via GoToWebinar)
Amy Schmieding - Sheehan, Nagle, Hartray Architects, Project Manager (via GoToWebinar)
Pat Briggs - Lisle Woman's Club (via GoToWebinar)
Mary Kilroy - Lisle Woman's Club (via GoToWebinar)
Marie Hasse - Lisle Woman's Club (via GoToWebinar)
Kelly Dixit - Lisle Woman's Club (via GoToWebinar)
Cathy Cawiezal - Friends of the Lisle Public Library District (via GoToWebinar)
Mike Czech - Friends of the Lisle Public Library District (via GoToWebinar)

2. Opportunity for visitors to speak

Two visitors addressed the Board. The first visitor asked the Board to consider maintaining the surrounding wooded area borders between the Library and its neighbors as plans for a renovation progress. The second visitor stated that he thought that the Library renovation should be decided via referendum.

President Hummel reminded Board members to keep discussion topics relevant to the agenda.

3. Introductions - CCS

Director Weinstein welcomed members from the Lisle Woman's Club and Friends of the Lisle Public Library District and thanked them for agreeing to participate in the stakeholder meeting. Mr. Rogers, from CCS, introduced himself, Mr. McKay, and Ms. Schmieding from Sheehan, Nagle, Hartray Architects.

4. Capital Improvement Project Steps Taken to Date - CCS

Mr. Rogers reviewed elements of the capital improvement project dashboard on the Library's website.

5. Engagement/Feedback from Stakeholders: Lisle Woman's Club, LLD Friends & Foundation - CCS

Mr. Rogers discussed the Board and staff survey which referenced space-related priorities and overall vision for the renovation. Mr. Rogers asked participants for feedback on space-related priorities.

Discussion: Participants provided feedback regarding parking lot configuration and awkward entrance, meeting room access, coffee/snack space, collaboration with other Lisle organizations, Youth Services layout and lack of restroom, lighting issues, and drive-up service window.

Mr. Rogers asked participants for feedback on their vision for the LLD's renovation.

Discussion: Participants discussed the idea of a 21st century library. Mr. Rogers, Director Weinstein, and Mr. McKay provided examples and discussed flexible/adaptable spaces, technology, and current library trends. Participants provided feedback on collaborative efforts with other Lisle organizations/governmental units, outdoor programming ideas, making the Library more appealing to teens, having historical space in the building, a possible satellite location, improved identity from the street, and a maker space.

Treasurer Norton asked participants to identify an important organizational value that would assist the LLD in the renovation planning.

Discussion: Participants spoke of having books available for the community, maintaining high quality choices, the importance of Youth Services, providing a space to meet, a space to sell books via the Friends, storage space for the Friends, providing quality programming and learning, and a gathering space for groups.

Mr. Rogers asked participants to name a service that is most valuable or to describe a service they wish the Library would provide.

Discussion: Participants commented on the value of books in various formats, having a dedicated staff, providing facilitated book discussion groups, and having a gathering space for the community.

Mr. Rogers, Director Weinstein, Assistant Director McQuillan, and Board members thanked members of the Lisle Woman's Club and Friends of the Lisle Public Library District for participating and for providing their feedback.

6. Adjourn

MOTION: Trustee Sullivan moved to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Larson seconded.

Roll Call Vote - All Aye

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Recorded by

Chris Knight, Recording Secretary

Approved by the Board of Trustees on January 20, 2021.

Approved by

Emily Swistak, Secretary of the LLD Board of Trustees