

4.30.18

## FFL Board Meeting

Present: Randi Ludwig, Dave Wheeler, Sarah Pralle, Pat Curtin, Betsy Bower, David Pasinski, Sue Considine

Absent: Keith Bybee

Guest: Bob Schofield

Meeting commenced at 5:15pm.

### 1. Public comment: Randi reads public comment policy

- Mary Karpinski
- Ray Letterman

### 2. Approval of minutes

- Dave P. moved to approve March 13 minutes and Pat C. seconded.
  - Unanimous in favor of approving
- Sarah moved to approve March 27 minutes and Pat C. seconded
  - No discussion; unanimous in favor of approving.

### 3. Pat C. moved to enter executive session to discuss a legal issue

- Betsy seconded; and Board unanimously approved.
- Executive session started at 5:25pm
  
- Sarah moved to end Executive session and Dave W seconded; Board unanimously agreed.
  
- At 5:38pm Board moved back into regular session

### 4. Dave W announced that the facilities committee meeting has been postponed

### 5. FFLCA

- Bob Schofield: Eagle Bulletin article raised facts that created concerns about FFLCA; FFL cannot use any public resources toward activities in support of budget vote.
  - Eagle Bulletin article raised questions about links between the two groups.
  - He noted that it is important for Board to take the position that it understands these rules and will not violate going forward.
  - We do not endorse the group; FFL staff have made efforts as private citizens to get the group going but now it is on its own. Board members and staff as private individuals can support.
- Randi L. commits the Board to investigate the issues Bob raised.

- Bob noted that the FFL is entitled to educate its constituency—about the budget, why we are seeking money, about the consequences of vote, etc.
- The FFLCA group can urge voters to vote yes as long as it is complying w/ relevant laws.
- Bob recommends that in light of potential confusion, Board should go on record stating that it understands law regarding FFLCA. Suggested that the PR committee work with counsel to investigate and ensure that the FFL is following law.
- David P. introduced a motion: "The Board of Trustees of the Fayetteville Free Library disavows the library's involvement in the operations of the FFLCA and it tasks the PR Committee, in coordination with counsel, to investigate to ensure that the Fayetteville Free Library's resources are not being used to support that organization."
- Betsy moved to approve, Dave P. seconded.
- Pat asked whether there is any need to have an auditor involved and Bob said that if this is necessary, it would need Board approval.
- Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

5. Pat moves to table revised ED compensation policy

- Betsy seconded motion.
- Board unanimously approved.

6. Randi moved to go to Executive session to discuss a personnel matter; Betsy seconded. Board voted unanimously to approve.

Executive session started at 5:51pm.

Pat moved to end executive session and Dave P. seconded. Board unanimously approved.

David P. moved to end the meeting; Betsy seconded; Board unanimously approved.

Meeting ended at 5:56pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Sarah Pralle