Minutes of the Poudre River Public Library District
Board of Trustees – Regular (VIRTUAL) Meeting

September 14, 2020
4 p.m.

Conducted Virtually via Zoom

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:
Fred Colby
Amanda Quijano
Jeremy Rose
Matt Schild
Becki Schulz
Joe Wise

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:
Corey Radman

DISTRICT STAFF PRESENT:
Katie Auman
Ken Draves
Mark Huber
Cynthia Langren
David Slivken
Rob Stansbury
Rachel Tand
Johanna Ulloa
Victor Zuniga

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:
Cam Richards, Legal Counsel
Molly Thompson, FRCC

I. CALL TO ORDER
President Schulz called the meeting to order at 4 p.m. and declared a quorum of the board present.

II. AGENDA REVIEW
Addition of “Approval of July 13, 2020 Meeting Minutes”.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT
None.
IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 13, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes

There was a motion by Trustee Rose to approve the minutes as presented by Director Slivken. The motion was seconded by Trustee Schild and it carried unanimously, 6 – 0.

V. REPORTS

a. Director’s Report – Slivken
   Executive Director Slivken verbally highlighted a couple of items included in the written report. The report was accepted as presented.

b. Financial Report – Tand
   Ms. Tand presented the monthly financial report and reminded the board of the upcoming virtual 2021 budget work session to be held on Sept 25, 2020 at 4 p.m.

c. Legal Status Report – Richards
   Mr. Richards had nothing to report.

d. Strategic Plan Update – Slivken
   Executive Director Slivken presented an update via PowerPoint. Upon conclusion, Trustee Schild asked if Mr. Slivken would include an update, perhaps in the Director’s Report every six months or so, how the KPIs are doing. Mr. Slivken affirmed he will do that.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. URA Update– Wise
   Trustee Wise reported that at the August 27th Zoom URA meeting, the URA had a presentation by the CSU Institute for the Built Environment, in collaboration with La Familia/The Family Center, presenting the results of a series of community workshops on the goals and priorities of north Fort Collins’ community members and stakeholders. As part of the presentation, several leaders in the LatinX community presented their priorities. A common thread was the desire for a library presence in the north Fort Collins community with a Spanish-friendly staff able to help residents with computer literacy, job search, child and teen development, small business resources and a safe meeting/study space.

College and Drake: King Soopers is going ahead with their planned project, which should begin to generate TIF revenue within the next few years. Brinkman Partners has put their plans for the southwest corner on indefinite hold. The URA staff is in touch with city engineering regarding the various infrastructure projects on the approved TIF list for the intersection, and will try to group projects for minimum cost and disruption. If infrastructure work has not begun by the time we begin to receive TIF funds from the King Soopers property, the increment will be held in a URA account and earmarked for only the approved infrastructure projects. It is conceivable that bonds could be issued to allow timely completion of the project list, to be repaid from future TIF collections from this URP.
College and Prospect: This is the site of a proposed 6-story Marriott Hotel, which has requested TIF assistance. The project has received preliminary development approval from the City, but has not yet been formally reviewed by the URA board. The preliminary presentation to the URA board included requests for TIF funds for intersection improvements, and for assistance to the Marriott operator to meet their financial operating requirements. The sense of several on the URA board was that while this may be an appropriate development for that corner, there is reluctance to award TIF funds to the developer/operator for building enhancements. Trustee Wise expressed that he was strongly against giving money to the developer, and will continue to oppose this.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

a. Virtual Board Meetings - Schulz
   It was agreed that board meetings will continue to be held virtually for the rest of the year and possibly beyond depending on COVID.

b. First Reading – Fines Free – Slivken
   Executive Director Slivken gave a PowerPoint presentation outlining the research, considerations, and reasons for proposing the Library District go “fines free”. The board will consider approval of this proposed new policy at their October meeting.

VIII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. Friends of the Library Update - Wise
   Trustee Wise reported that
   - The Friends are currently looking for ways to do virtual sales and checking to see what other Friends organizations are doing.
   - John Knezovich recently passed away. John was one of the original Board of Trustee members when the library first became a district. During his lifetime he served on City Council, the Poudre River Library Trust, and several other community boards and organizations in Fort Collins. He will be missed.

b. Library Book Festival – Auman
   Communications Manager Auman reported that this book fest will be all virtual and will send information out to the board.

IX.   ADJOURNMENT

   Upon motion made, seconded, and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 5:24 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Langren
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Recording Secretary

Matt Schild
Secretary-Treasurer