



**Springfield Greene County Library Board of Trustees
July 23, 2024
Meeting Minutes**

The Board of Trustees of the Springfield-Greene County Library District met on Tuesday, July 23, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. at the Library Center.

Members of the Board Trustees were present or absent as follows.

<u>Roll Call</u>	<u>Present/Absent</u>
Rachael Morrow, President and Member:	Present
Stacey Penney, Vice President and Member:	Present
Aaron Jones, Treasurer and Member:	Present
Chris Bozarth, Secretary and Member:	Present
Clinton Beecham, Member:	Present
James Nevins, Member:	Present
Robert Stephens, Member:	Present
Melanie Weiler, Member:	Present
David Yancey, Member:	Present

The meeting was called to order at 4:06 p.m.

Beecham made a motion to approve the minutes as presented, Penney seconded and the motion carried. (9 yes/0 no)

Finance & Personnel Committee – Jones recapped the meeting. The committee passed a recommendation to move the \$2,682,053.81 from the general distribution account to the reserve account. Since the motion came out of committee, no second was needed. The motion carried. (9 yes/0 no)

Building and Grounds Committee – Beecham presented the following.

- The Pre-bid meeting for the Library Center project will be July 24 at 10 a.m. The guaranteed maximum price is expected by the end of August.
- There will be a surplus property auction on August 24, starting at 10 a.m. at the Library Center.
- Jessie is working with Sapp and Branco to host the Library Center's Ground Breaking Ceremony on September 24 at 11:00 a.m.
- The Midtown Carnegie Branch project came in over budget by \$200,000.
- The Republic Branch Library is finalizing a construction entrance easement with the daycare property for 24 months.
- The Library Station experienced an electrical outage last week. The final repair cost has not yet been received.
- The TAB testing is done on the HVAC at the Schweitzer Brentwood Branch. The status report has not been received.

A welcome reception for Ed Walton is scheduled on October 1 from 4 -6 p.m. in the Library Center auditorium.

Morrow welcomed Walton to his first board meeting. Walton presented the **Director's Report**. There were a few points of discussion and interest.

- Walton will be preparing a funding matrix to discuss with the board soon.
- Walton is revising the job description for the Foundation Director to say that development activity will be the main focus.
- David Sedaris will perform at the Gillioz on October 25 at 7 p.m. for a fundraising event for the Library Foundation. The goal is \$15-20,000.
- MOBIUS update: The Tulsa City-County Library and Davenport Public Library have withdrawn from MOBIUS. Tulsa's departure will most affect library patrons.
 - Mobius is moving to a new OpenRS resource-sharing platform, and the deadlines haven't been as solid as our system would like.
 - Discussion followed on patron use and the Library's temporary solution until the platform is performing as needed.
 - Walton has confidence in making the system work but not in the timing.

The Board asked if the Library is exploring naming opportunities in Republic yet. At this time, Walton is waiting to hire the new Foundation Director and to discuss the Foundation Board's role in fundraising. The role of the Foundation will be redefined. Walton has met with community leaders to adjust the job description and salary.

Unfinished Business

The slate of board officers was presented last month and it was time to vote. As a reminder, the slate is:

Stacey Penney – President

Aaron Jones – Vice President

Chris Bozarth – Treasurer

James Nevins – Secretary

Chris Bozarth will chair the Finance and Personnel Committee, which will include David Yancey, Bob Stephens and Melanie Weiler.

Clinton Beecham will chair the Building and Grounds Committee, which will include Chris Bozarth and Rachael Morrow.

Since the motion came out of the committee, no second was needed, and the motion carried.

Misc. business

Morrow formally thanked Jim Schmidt for his extra duties as Interim Director over the last seven months.

Jones made a motion to adjourn, Nevins seconded and the motion carried. (9 yes/0 no)

The meeting adjourned at 4:41 p.m.