

PIKES PEAK LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
April 19, 2023 5 pm  
PENROSE – COLUMBINE ROOM



**VIRTUAL MEETING (ZOOM)**

**Call in:** 1-253-215-8782 or 1-312-626-6799 or 1-669-900-6833 or 1-346-248-7799  
**Meeting ID:** 867 7654 8192  
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President Aaron Salt, Vice President Dora Gonzales, Secretary/Treasurer Erin Bents, Trustee Debbie English, Trustee Julie Smyth, and Trustee Scott Taylor

Interim Chief Librarian and CEO Teona Shainidze Krebs, Chief Communications Officer Denise Abbott, Rockrimmon Library Manager Steve Abbott, Chief Safety, Security, and Community Resources Officer Michael Brantner, West Region Director Michael Doherty, Executive Assistant Laura Foster, Senior Librarian Christa Funke, Controller Kim Hoggatt, Chief Development Officer and Foundation Executive Officer Lance James, Chief Human Resources and Organizational Development Officer Heather Laslie, Interim Public Services Director and Deputy Chief Librarian Tammy Sayles, Chief Facilities Management Officer Gary Syling, Internal Communications Specialist Jeremiah Walter, County Commissioner Longinos Gonzalez Jr.

Virtual meeting access was not available due to technical difficulties. Steve Abbott, Christa Funke, and Kim Hoggatt left the meeting as a result.

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Aaron Salt Called the April 19, 2023 regular meeting of the Pikes Peak Library District Board of Trustees to order at 5:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**REPORTS**

**Friends of the Pikes Peak Library District Report**

The Friends of the Pikes Peak Library District Report was included in the Board packet.

**Pikes Peak Library District Foundation Report**

The Pikes Peak Library District Foundation Report was included in the Board packet. Chief Development Officer and Foundation Executive Director Lance James mentioned the following grants and gifts received by the Foundation:

- Digital equity grant - \$199,115
- 2023 Library Giving Day - 762 gifts totaling \$53,830 (2022 Library Giving Day – 677 gifts, totaling \$42,851)
- GE Johnson - \$10,000
- Ingram - \$2,500
- Friends of PPLD - \$2,500

**Financial Report: March 2023**

The March 2023 Financial Report was included in the Board packet.

**Public Services Report**

The Public Services Report was included in the Board packet.

## **Support Services Reports: Communications Report, Facilities Report, Human Resources Report, Information Technology Report, Safety, Security, and Community Resources Report**

The Support Services Reports were included in the Board packet.

### **Interim Chief Librarian's Report**

Interim Chief Librarian and CEO Teona Shainidze Krebs commended Gary Syling, Tiffany Paisley, and Michael Brantner for their leadership during the closure due to meth. contamination and remediation. Kudos to Denise Abbott for managing all of the media coverage and providing excellent accurate information to the public.

In response to staff requests for safety training, Michael Brantner provided an excellent presentation on the State of Security, followed by Active Shooter training.

Ms. Shainidze Krebs attended the National Library Week Proclamation reading by El Paso County Commissioners and Calhan officials. Ms. Shainidze Krebs shared that she attended the Swearing-In Ceremony for the new City Councilmembers and announced that 2 new liaisons to the Board of Trustees will be appointed from the City Council for 2023.

### **Board Reports**

#### **Governance Committee Report**

Governance Committee Chair Scott Taylor stated that the Governance Committee did not meet in April 2023.

#### **Internal Affairs Committee Report**

Internal Affairs Committee Chair Erin Bents shared that the committee met on Tuesday, April 4, 2023. The Committee reviewed the Resolution Designating the Official Custodian of Records document and approved the resolution as a decision item at the April 19, 2023 Board meeting. The committee also discussed the ILS proposal from Jenny Pierce, Collection Management Director.

#### **Public Affairs Committee Report**

Public Affairs Chair Debbie English stated that the Public Affairs Committee did not meet in April 2023.

#### **Liaison comments**

President Aaron Salt welcomed County Commissioner Longinos Gonzalez as an El Paso County liaison to the Board for 2023. Commissioner Gonzales thanked President Salt and said he is glad to return as a liaison to the Board, having served for two years previously.

#### **Trustee comments**

Debbie English shared that she attended the Palmer Lake, Monument, and El Paso County Commissioner meetings at which the National Library week Proclamation was read. Every community expressed their appreciation for the library district. She will attend the Colorado Springs City Council reading next week.

Dora Gonzales attended the El Paso County Commissioner Proclamation and will attend the Manitou Springs and Green Mountain Falls Proclamations in the next few weeks.

Erin Bents attended the reading of the National Library Week Proclamation in Calhan and will attend Green Mountain Falls also.

Dr. Stoll visited the Old Colorado City Library.

Julie Smyth attended the Manitou Springs Proclamation, and also visited the Manitou Springs Library for a tour with Manitou Springs Library Manager Taryn Malila.

Aaron Salt toured the Manitou Springs Carnegie Library building with Manitou Springs leadership, and also visited the Manitou Springs Library at the MAC. Mr. Salt attended the El Paso County Commissioner reading of the Proclamation. Congratulations were also given to new Chief Communications Officer Denise Abbott.

### **BUSINESS ITEMS**

#### **Consent Items**

##### **DECISION 23-4-2**

##### **Minutes of the March 15, 2023 Board of Trustees meeting and Minutes of the April 4, 2023 Board of Trustees special meeting**

**Motion:** Scott Taylor made a motion that the Board of Trustees approve the March 15, 2023 Board of Trustees meeting and Minutes of the April 4, 2023 Board of Trustees special meeting as presented.

**Second** Erin Bents seconded the motion.

**Vote:** The motion was approved unanimously.

## New Business

### **DECISION 23-4-3:** Resolution Designating the Official Custodian of Record

**Motion:** Debbie English made a motion that the Resolution Designating the Official Custodian or Record be approved as presented.

**Second:** Dora Gonzales seconded the motion.

**Discussion:** Clarification that the redline copy received by the Board of Trustees is the same as the clean copy provided in the packet.

**Vote:** The motion was approved unanimously.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION

Board President Aaron Salt called for a motion from the Board to move into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters related to the Chief Librarian and CEO Appointment as authorized by C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(f).

**Motion:** Debbie English made a motion that the Pikes Peak Library District Board of Trustees enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters related to the Chief Librarian and CEO Appointment as authorized by C.R.S. § 24-6-402(4)(f).

**Second:** Scott Taylor seconded the motion.

**Vote:** The motion was approved unanimously.

## Business Items (cont.)

### **DECISION 23-4-4:** Approval of the Chief Librarian and CEO's contract

**Motion:** Dr. Ned Stoll made a motion to approve the Chief Librarian and CEO's contract as amended.

**Second:** Julie Smyth seconded the motion.

**Vote:** The motion was approved unanimously.

## ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to discuss, President Aaron Salt adjourned the April 19, 2023 meeting of the Pikes Peak Library District Board of Trustees at 6:05 p.m.

The full packet of materials for this meeting of the Pikes Peak Library District Board of Trustees is available at <https://ppld.org/board-trustees>