Thursday, August 13, 2020
Special Meeting

Thursday
5:00 p.m.
Via Zoom
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1. Meeting Opening

Subject 1.1 Call To Order
Meeting Aug 13, 2020 - Special Meeting
Category 1. Meeting Opening
Type Procedural

The Special meeting of Thursday August 13, 2020 via Zoom conferencing was called to order at 5:32 p.m. by Oscar Davis Jr.

Subject 1.2 Roll Call
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Category 1. Meeting Opening
Type Action, Procedural

Trustees' present: Cathlin Gleason, Judy William-Davis, Hope Marable, and Oscar Davis Jr.

Also present was: Timur Davis; Director, and Doreen McQueen; Administrative Assistant

Subject 1.3 Pledge of Allegiance
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Pledge of Allegiance was led by Director Timur Davis.

Subject 1.4 Acceptance of Agenda
Upon a motion made by Judy Williams -Davis, seconded by Oscar Davis Jr., the Board approved the agenda for the Special meeting of Thursday August 13, 2020. The vote carried 4 yes and 0 no.

2. New Business

Subject 2.1 Youth Media Consultant #0026-20

Whereas, the Administration and Trustees for the Mount Vernon Public Library recommends the contracting of Jason Swain as the Youth Media Consultant. Mr. Swain’s MOU contract has been submitted with this resolution.

Whereas, Board of Trustees for the Mount Vernon Public Library must approve these recommendations,

Now, Therefore, be it

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees for the Mount Vernon Public Library has approved, adopted, and authorized the acceptance of Mr. Jason Swain as the Youth Media program instructor. This program is part of the grant awarded by Legislator Lyndon Williams in the amount of $50,000. $35,000 was awarded to Gerald Dennis for the STEM portion of the project. The balance of funds after the expense of equipment will be awarded to Mr. Swain in the amount of $10,500 to expense out according to the attached MOU (memo of understanding). All equipment loaned to conduct this program must be returned in working order before final payment is rendered. The program will be conducted over 12 weeks (3 months), and Mr. Swain will be pay $1,250 per month and will be expensed from ___________ Budget line. The program will begin ___________.

Upon a motion made by Cathlin Gleason, seconded by Judy Williams-Davis, the Board approved and adopted Resolution #0026-20.

On the question: Trustee Williams-Davis
Why is a percentage going to city college?
The Director didn't recall anything in regards to a scholarship
The trustees' pulled the vote stating
  • the contract must make sense
  • the contract should have been reviewed
  • although the grant is approved the contract must be changed
  • The Westchester grant must stay within Westchester not another county
  • tickets should not be sold
  • trustees uncomfortable with voting on this item without changes
Resolution #0026-20 has been recalled with the following stipulations added

Upon a motion made by Judy Williams

Yea Nay Abstain Trustees

Oscar Davis, Jr.
Judy Williams-Davis
Cathlin Gleason
Hope Marable

Subject 2.2 Funds Transfer Resolution#0078-20
Meeting Aug 13, 2020 - Special Meeting
Category 2. New Business

WHERE AS: The Mount Vernon Public Library (“MVPL”) maintains a money market account at Sterling National Bank with an account number ending in 8241 for the purpose of depositing and holding the tax levy money remitted by the citizens of Mount Vernon via the Mount Vernon School District.

FURTHERMORE: The Mount Vernon Public Library (“MVPL”) maintains an operating account at Sterling National Bank with an account number ending in 0601 for the purpose of dispersing various amounts in the ordinary course of business to both employees for payroll and related costs and various amounts to third party vendors for expenses incurred each in accordance with the approved budget.

THEREFORE: It is the recommendation of the Management of the MVPL that the Board of Trustees authorize the transfer of exactly $509,545 (Five hundred-nine thousand – Five hundred Forty five dollars) from the Sterling National Bank MVPL Money Market account ending in 8241 into the Sterling National Bank MVPL Operating account ending in 0601.

BE IT RESOLVED: The Board of Trustees of the Mount Vernon Public Library (“MVPL”) hereby authorizes the transfer of $509,454 (Five hundred-nine thousand – Five hundred Forty five dollars) from the Sterling National Bank MVPL Money Market account ending in 8241 into the Sterling National Bank MVPL Operating account ending in 0601.
Upon a motion made by ________________, seconded by ________________, the Board approved and adopted resolution #0078-20. The vote carried ___ yes and ___ no.

Yea Nay Abstain Trustees

____ ____ ____ Oscar Davis, Jr.
____ ____ ____ Judy Williams-Davis
____ ____ ____ Cathlin Gleason
____ ____ ____ Hope Marable
____ ____ ____ Tanya Southerland

3. Executive Session

Upon a motion made by ________________, seconded by ________________, the Board agreed to into executive session at _______ to discuss ___________ matters. The vote carried ____ yes and ___ no.

4. Meeting Closing

Upon a motion made by ____________, seconded by ________________, the Special meeting of Thursday August 13, 2020 adjourned at _______ p.m. The vote carried __ yes, __ no.