Meeting Minutes of the Board Training Meeting  
Berwyn Public Library  
Library Board Room, 2701 S Harlem Avenue, Berwyn IL 60402  
Monday, November 6, 2023  
Library Board Room – 6:00 PM

Present: Trustee Pat Cagney, Director Tammy Sheedy, Trustee Erica Harris, Trustee Angela Kuczak, Trustee Bridget Buckley, Trustee Marta Rodriguez, Trustee Ana Espinoza,

Absent: Trustee Maria Salinas,

Director Tammy Sheedy called the training to order at 6:00 PM.

Director Sheedy announced that we needed to elect President Pro-tem for the meeting because we presently do not have a President or Vice President. The Board elected Marta Rodriguez to be the President Pro-tem for today’s meeting.

Agenda Items
Recent ILA Trustee Day. Trustee Ana Espinoza, Trustee Maria Salinas and Trustee Patrick Cagney attended the recent ILA Conference in Springfield. Take away from the conference.

1. First Amendment Issues were discussed at the conference. We need to review our policies on meetings rooms, and exhibits and collections to ensure the library does not open itself to legal issues in the future.

2. There was discussion that there are resources that could help us develop a strategic plan for the library. These resources include but are not limited to John Chrustka, Executive Director of Every Library. Members of the board who attended the ILA conference met briefly with John at the ILA Conference and he mentioned that he has organizations in mind who could help us. Tammy will reach out to John and others to help with this endeavor.

3. The Illinois Heartland Association developed an on-line training for Trustees that is in Beta form presently and all of us could be included in testing their Beta training if we desire.

4. Overall, the Trustees would like to see more of the staff attend conferences and even present at future conferences like ILA, and the ALA

Open Forum – There was no comments in Open Forum

Trustee Orientation
Tammy shared that all members should have received the Booklets - the Illinois Library Laws, and the Trustee Facts on File. Trustee should reach out to Tammy if they don’t have either one of these booklets.

Tammy passed out a folder of important documents and proceeded to go through these documents for those who were in attendance. This information is duplicated on the Trustee Google Drive.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 PM. After the meeting the Trustees went on a tour of the library.