

SPECIAL MEETING BOARD OF TRUSTEES

April 2, 2015

6:30 PM

MINUTES

The special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Mount Vernon Public Library was held on April 2, 2015 at the Mount Vernon Public Library, 28 South First Avenue, Mount Vernon, New York 10550 Brian Johnson who presided called the meeting to order at 6:37 pm.

ROLL CALL

Trustees Present; Linda Bryant, Oscar Davis, Brian Johnson and Na'im Tyson.

Trustee Absent: Darren Morton

Also Present: Thomas Keller, Deborah Ramsey and Tamara Stewart, Library Patrons Gary Newman Library Staff; Carolyn Karwoski, Library Director; Jose Alvelo, Interim Treasurer and Mary Harper, Administrative Assistant.

BUDGET

Trustee Davis discussed the amount of library aide positions and whether the hire of new part-timers would put the salary line in the budget over.

He asked about the hire date for a new aide. Trustee Davis said that the trustees are responsible for what's going on. He said that he cannot vote for the budget if he doesn't have the answer

Jose Alvelo said that the new hires may be replacements

Trustee Johnson said that June 30th was the deadline to take the budget out to vote. He said until everyone's needs are met the budget will not go forward.

Trustee Tyson said that there are four different views of the budget. He said he doesn't understand why these questions were not posed before.

Trustee Davis said that two new people were hired and their names were not on the list he was given. He said that the budget is going to be over. He asked how many library aide positions were allocated for the coming year.

Carolyn Karwoski said that four people are taking the civil service exam and if they don't pass they will go back to aides.

Trustee Davis questioned the part time list he received compared to the one he received last month. He said one name was no longer on the list, but the person had not been terminated.

Dr. Tyson said that the person is not on the active payroll.

Resolutions

Trustee Tyson moved that the Board approve resolution 00020-15. The motion failed due to lack of a second.

The Board discussed the resolution for Rand Engineering.
Trustee Johnson said that a professional was needed to survey the roof.

There was discussion about the warranty for the roof and the cost for the Rand proposal.

Carolyn Karwoski said that the roof is in poor shape and it is flooding in certain parts of the library.

A Special Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 7, 2015 at 6:30 pm to discuss the budget vote and Rand engineering.

ADJOURNMENT:

Upon a motion by Na'im Tyson, seconded by Oscar Davis, the meeting was adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Karwoski
Secretary