# BRIGHTON MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

# APPROVED MINUTES October 16, 2023

**PRESENT** 

Harriet Seigel
Surendar Jeyadev
Kristen Totleben
Wendy Scull
Jason DiPonzio
Jennifer Ries-Taggart

**NOT PRESENT** 

Joan Swanekamp Michael Burger

Ms. Seigel, President of the Board, called the meeting to order.

## I. MATTERS OF THE PRESIDENT

Ms. Seigel asked the Nominating Committee to speak with the Trustees whose terms end this December to ascertain if each of them would like to be reappointed to serve another five-year term. If so, those nominations will be voted on at the November Board Meeting.

Ms. Seigel raised the issue of revising BML's Commitment, Vision, and Values statement to bring it in line with diversity, equity, and inclusion language. After discussion, two recommendations were submitted for Board approval.

The Recommendation to Accept Proposed Changes to BML's Commitment, Vision, and Values Statement was submitted for approval. Ms. Totleben MOVED and Mr. Jeyadev SECONDED THE MOTION to approve the Recommendation to Accept Proposed Changes to BML's Commitment, Vision, and Values Statement. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The Recommendation to Remove the Word "Volunteers" from the First Paragraph of BML's Commitment, Vision, and Values Statement was submitted for approval. Mr. Jeyadev MOVED and Ms. Totleben SECONDED THE MOTION to approve the Recommendation to Remove the Word "Volunteers" from the First Paragraph of BML's Commitment, Vision, and Values Statement. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Having no further Matters of the President, Ms. Seigel moved to the Approval of Minutes.

#### II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Minutes of September 18, 2023, were distributed for review and approval. Ms. Totleben MOVED and Mr. Jeyadev SECONDED THE MOTION to approve the Minutes of September 18, 2023. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

## III. ACTION ITEMS

The Recommendation to Invest in Certificate of Deposit was submitted for approval. Mr. Jeyadev MOVED and Ms. Totleben SECONDED THE MOTION to approve the Recommendation to Invest in Certificate of Deposit. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

There being no further Action Items, Ms. Seigel moved to the Approval of Bills.

## IV. APPROVAL OF BILLS

The List of Bills for October 2023 was submitted for approval in the amount of \$24,039.82. Mr. Jeyadev MOVED and Ms. Totleben SECONDED THE MOTION to approve the List of Bills for October 2023. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The List of Gift Fund Bills for October 2023 was submitted for approval in the amount of \$565.09. Ms. Totleben MOVED and Mr. Jeyadev SECONDED THE MOTION to approve the List of Gift Fund Bills for October 2023. THE MOTION WAS CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### V. OTHER BUSINESS

There being no further business, Ms. Totleben MOVED and Mr. Jeyadev SECONDED THE MOTION to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Seigel adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Whitbeck

#### **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

November Board Meeting

November 20, 2023, at 4:30 PM Learning Center