**Dolton Public Library District**

**Board of Library Trustees**

**Regular Meeting**

**Monday, February 26, 2024 / 7:00 pm**

**Minutes**

1. **Call to Order**

President Copeland called the February 26, 2024, Dolton Public Library Board of Trustees meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

1. **Roll Call**

Present: [Trustees] Evans, Sorrell, Stewart, Williams, and Copeland.

Absent: [Trustees] Jackson, and Fields.

Also present Attorney Joe Miller III, Business Manager, Lisa Mwesigwa, and Interim Library Director, Lillie Byrd.

1. **Public Comments [Visitors should keep their comments to two (2 minutes)**

No Comments.

1. **Approval of Meeting Minutes**
2. **Approval of Special Board Meeting Minutes dated January 29, 2024 (Action Item)**

 Trustee Sorrell noted corrections to the January 29, 2024, meeting

 Minutes. A motion was made by Trustee Stewart for an amendment of

 The January 29, 2024, meeting minutes for corrections, and it was

 Seconded by Trustee Evans

 Ayes: Evans, Stewart, Sorrell, Williams, and Copeland

 Nays: 0

 Motion Passed: 5:0

1. **Communications, Petitions, Resolutions, and Ordinances**

None.

1. **Approval of Bills and Payroll**
2. **Approval for Bills and Payroll for December 2023/January 2024 (Action Item)**
3. **Approval for Bills and Payroll for February 2024 (Action Item)**

 A motion was made by Trustee Stewart to table the Bills and Payroll for

 December 2023, January 2024, and February 2024, until the next board

 Meeting March 25, 2024. Seconded by Trustee Evans.

 Ayes: Evans, Stewart, Sorrell, Williams, and Copeland.

 Nays: 0

 Motion Passed: 5:0

1. **Librarian’s Report [Lillie Byrd]**
* Secretary of State Mobile DMV will return to the library on March 12, 2024, from 10:00 to 2:00 pm.
* 3rd Community Shred Day will be on April 13, 2024, from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm, in the back parking lot.

 **In February for Valentine’s Day and Black History Month**

 Kiera Martin’s Day of Love: was a great success with a showing of 60

 Participants.

 The library gave out Valentine’s Day gift bags to patrons.

 Youth Services Department held a Black History Month program called,

 “What Have We Learned”? We had 25 participants.

 No Supervisors was meeting this month.

 E-Rate Bid Matrix is near completion.

1. **New Business**
2. **ATA Group, LLP (Audit) – Managing Partner, Mr. Raj Nagaraja, CPA, MSA.**

 A motion by Trustee Stewart was made to table ATA Group, LLP (Audit)

 Until the March 25. 2024, board meeting. Seconded by Trustee Evans.

 Ayes: Evans, Stewart, Sorrell, Williams, and Copeland.

 Nays: 0

 Motion Passed: 5:0

1. **Old Business**

None.

1. **Executive/Closed Session**
2. **The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/02(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057; and Litigation, when an action, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/02(c)(11).**

President Copeland motioned for the board to go into Executive Session.

Attorney Miller stated the reason would be to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the District or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the district to determine its validity, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/02 ( c )(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057; and Litigation, when an action, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting, pursuant to 5ILCS 120/02 ( C )(11).

A Motion to go into Executive/Closed Session was made by Trustee Sorrell and seconded by Trustee Stewart.

Ayes: [Trustees] Stewart, Evans, Sorrell, Copeland.

Nays: [Trustee] Williams

Motion Passed: 4:1

**\*Let it be noted that on Monday, February 26, 2024, at the Dolton Library Board of Trustees Regular Meeting, Trustee Sonya Williams, declined to go into Executive/Closed Session.**

**The Regular Board meeting was suspended at 7:16 pm. to go into Executive/Closed** **Session**.

**President Copeland reconvened the Regular Board Meeting for February 26, 2024, at 7:49 pm.**

1. **Possible Action after Executive Session**

None

**Roll Call**

Present: [Trustees] Stewart, Evans, Sorrell, and Copeland.

Absent: [Trustees] Williams, Fields, and Jackson.

Also Present Attorney Miller III, Interim Library Director, Lillie Byrd, and Business Manager, Lisa Mwesigwa.

1. **President’s Message**

I hope we all can work together and not have all this friction, as I am feeling right now. We are one, board & body, and I want us all to work well together.

1. **Adjournment**

President Copeland called for a motion to adjourn.

A motion to adjourn the 02/26/2024 Regular Board Meeting was made by Trustee Stewart. Seconded by Trustee Evans.

Ayes: [Trustees] Stewart. Evans, Sorrell, Copeland.

Absent: Trustee Williams.

Nays: 0

Motion Passed: 4:0

The 02/26/2024 Regular Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.