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Buffalo & Erie County Public Library
Board of Trustees Executive Committee Meeting (In Person at Central Library &
Remote)
9/10/2020
Transcript as recorded through Zoom
Committee Members present in person:
Kimberly Johnson, Vice Chair
Elaine M. Panty
Committee Members present via conference call:
Kathleen Berens Bucki, Chair
Sheldon Berlow
Katie Burd
Ex-Officio member: Frank Housh
Ex-Officio member: Ted Johnson
WEBVTT
00:00:02.639 --> 00:00:03.449
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: This is Frank
00:00:03.570 --> 00:00:04.470
Frank Housh: Just want to report in
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00:00:09.540 --> 00:00:10.080
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Here too,
00:00:16.890 --> 00:00:19.080
Kate Bucki: So then I will call the meeting to order.
00:00:20.130 --> 00:00:20.700
Kate Bucki: Um,
00:00:22.290 --> 00:00:23.670
Kate Bucki: So I guess we can just take
00:00:25.080 --> 00:00:29.400
Kate Bucki: A look at the agenda for next week's meeting.
00:00:31.980 --> 00:00:32.880
Do you want to
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00:00:42.210 --> 00:00:43.260
Kate Bucki: First
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00:00:43.320 --> 00:00:46.500
Kate Bucki: Resolution under budget and finance so
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00:00:48.930 --> 00:00:49.830
Kate Bucki: Sorry.
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00:00:51.480 --> 00:00:54.750
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: On the phone for can do you want to go
first. Oh yeah, I'm sorry. We got to do the
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00:00:54.750 --> 00:00:55.740
Kate Bucki: Call the role. I don't know.
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00:00:55.830 --> 00:00:56.880
Sheldon Berlow: It's been a busy week you know
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00:01:01.470 --> 00:01:02.730
Kate Bucki: I can call a role.
00:01:02.850 --> 00:01:03.720
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: In our life today.
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00:01:03.810 --> 00:01:05.850
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Do we have to do the Call the role for
the
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00:01:06.180 --> 00:01:10.050
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Week technically do not have to because
there's no action items today.
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00:01:12.600 --> 00:01:15.420
Kate Bucki: Okay, I just wanted to make sure I didn't want to leave something
00:01:16.590 --> 00:01:17.160
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Kate Bucki: We have to
00:01:17.820 --> 00:01:21.240
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Do you have to read the Bible.
Everybody's here, right. Everybody who
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00:01:22.650 --> 00:01:23.940
Zoom Administration: Everyone on the committee is here.
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00:01:25.740 --> 00:01:27.240
Kate Bucki: I'm here. Oh, yeah. Do I need to
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00:01:27.270 --> 00:01:27.870
Say that
25
00:01:28.980 --> 00:01:29.460
Ted Johnson: Yeah.
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00:01:30.480 --> 00:01:33.120
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Do I need to say that the yeah
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00:01:34.020 --> 00:01:38.070
Kate Bucki: Open Meetings election is extended through. What's the date now October.
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00:01:38.790 --> 00:01:40.770
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: 4 fourth or something. Okay.
00:01:41.430 --> 00:01:41.760
Kate Bucki: So,
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00:01:42.420 --> 00:01:45.060
Kate Bucki: Yeah, so people who are attending
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00:01:45.210 --> 00:01:49.230
Kate Bucki: by phone or zoom account for voting and quorum and
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00:01:50.100 --> 00:01:50.850
Kate Bucki: All that and
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00:01:51.570 --> 00:01:58.830
Kate Bucki: I guess if any from the kids here they're welcome to comment later. So,
all right, I'll turn it over to you than 10
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00:01:59.820 --> 00:02:01.140
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Okay, just second
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00:02:01.770 --> 00:02:07.530
Sheldon Berlow: I just don't understand something. The main meeting is going to
elect Cobra.
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00:02:08.250 --> 00:02:09.420
Kate Bucki: No, I was just saying
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00:02:10.170 --> 00:02:10.500
Kate Bucki: You know,
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00:02:11.970 --> 00:02:13.230
Kate Bucki: Distance.
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00:02:14.250 --> 00:02:21.120
Kate Bucki: You know, like the the governor's order that allows us to meet remotely
is
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00:02:21.180 --> 00:02:23.370
Ted Johnson: Extended through October, but we are
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00:02:25.230 --> 00:02:31.050
Sheldon Berlow: Everything's coming in very garble to me. So I'm sorry I may ask for
some repeats here.
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00:02:31.890 --> 00:02:34.680
Kate Bucki: Is it my connection or is it just in general.
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00:02:36.780 --> 00:02:45.720
Sheldon Berlow: Um, I don't know. I have not experienced this earlier, but go ahead.
I'm well. We'll see how it goes.
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00:02:46.380 --> 00:02:48.750
Kenneth Stone: Okay, let me know how mine is
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00:02:49.860 --> 00:02:54.180
Kenneth Stone: Budget and finance. We have three action items for next week's
meeting.
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00:02:55.020 --> 00:02:57.840
Kenneth Stone: And then the monthly financial report the
47
00:02:57.870 --> 00:03:04.770
Kenneth Stone: First action item is seeking your authorization to a plot to apply
for a New York State.
48
00:03:05.160 --> 00:03:07.680
Kenneth Stone: Library construction grant or aid.
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00:03:09.630 --> 00:03:09.960
Kenneth Stone: For
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00:03:09.990 --> 00:03:14.520
Kenneth Stone: To support the improvements at the Gonzalez Soto library.
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00:03:15.720 --> 00:03:17.580
Kenneth Stone: This grant would
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00:03:17.730 --> 00:03:24.900
Kenneth Stone: help fund replacing its roof, which is leaking pretty pretty badly
replace the first floor tiles with trust.
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00:03:24.900 --> 00:03:25.710
Sheldon Berlow: pesto's
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00:03:26.160 --> 00:03:28.140
Kenneth Stone: And replace the original windows.
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00:03:28.950 --> 00:03:36.630
Kenneth Stone: Some of which have been replaced by plexiglass on their their their
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00:03:37.410 --> 00:03:38.250
Kenneth Stone: They're leaking of it.
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00:03:39.480 --> 00:03:46.800
Kenneth Stone: So this grant requests would estimated cost for the overall project
our hundred
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00:03:49.140 --> 00:03:50.850
Kenneth Stone: $56,000
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00:03:51.090 --> 00:03:53.910
Kenneth Stone: Of the city of Buffalo is providing the match.
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00:03:55.530 --> 00:04:08.490
Kenneth Stone: And the grant amount requested is 640 $2,671 we won't necessarily get
that full amount because there are slightly more being ass.
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00:04:09.900 --> 00:04:12.030
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Then we have allocated the share pod
get to that.
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00:04:12.030 --> 00:04:14.280
Kenneth Stone: Why do the system recommendations, because there's
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00:04:14.310 --> 00:04:15.600
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Some strategy behind that.
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00:04:17.130 --> 00:04:19.560
Kenneth Stone: So that's basically what it would do.
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00:04:20.700 --> 00:04:25.560
Kenneth Stone: We would we have to submit the applications, New York State by
October 6
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00:04:27.690 --> 00:04:29.550
Frank Housh: This is Frank. I have a question.
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draft either single pane and they are a pain.

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00:04:30.270 --> 00:04:30.600
Sure.
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00:04:31.890 --> 00:04:33.570
Frank Housh: Or are we all just going to pretend that
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00:04:33.630 --> 00:04:33.990
That
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00:04:35.010 --> 00:04:39.300
Frank Housh: Can didn't just make a pun on the word pane of glass in pain.
71
00:04:42.030 --> 00:04:43.770
Kate Bucki: I definitely notice that
72
00:04:48.750 --> 00:04:49.560
Frank Housh: To discuss this.
73
00:04:50.760 --> 00:04:52.890
Kate Bucki: video I made a face.
74
00:04:59.160 --> 00:05:02.910
Kenneth Stone: On master or actually dad bookmaker bad parts.
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00:05:07.440 --> 00:05:12.390
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: My question is, we can we can request.
These grants, but with the way things are going with the state.
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00:05:13.800 --> 00:05:17.400
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: That me we're either going to get it or
we're going to get less than we're asking for
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00:05:18.360 --> 00:05:22.530
Kenneth Stone: This is interesting because you've got a couple of things. Plug in
play here.
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00:05:23.460 --> 00:05:29.550
Kenneth Stone: First is sustained already cut the program from $34 million last year
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down to 14 million
00:05:30.000 --> 00:05:32.640
Kenneth Stone: So that's already been whack pretty significantly
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00:05:33.240 --> 00:05:45.150
Kenneth Stone: The amount of money we had last year was over 1,000,005 and the total
for all 30 some libraries six years 643,600 41,002
81
00:05:45.600 --> 00:06:00.150
Kenneth Stone: Is statutory so I don't know that the governor it. I think it might
would require an actual legislature to not do it at all, or to cut the dollar amount
because it's built into the law.
82
00:06:01.380 --> 00:06:01.920
Kenneth Stone: But
83
00:06:02.400 --> 00:06:04.290
Kenneth Stone: Could they slow pay. You bet.
84
00:06:04.710 --> 00:06:08.700
Kenneth Stone: They're already doing that with the grants that we should have
received over a month ago.
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00:06:10.080 --> 00:06:12.060
Kenneth Stone: The last funding cycle that you approved.
86
00:06:12.060 --> 00:06:14.130
Kenneth Stone: Applications for this past year.
87
00:06:14.430 --> 00:06:16.500
Kenneth Stone: Which includes crane library face to
88
00:06:18.240 --> 00:06:25.740
Kenneth Stone: Lack of we haven't gotten word yet they the state library saying
they're hoping it'll be soon. But they don't have
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00:06:27.030 --> 00:06:27.930
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Kenneth Stone: A firm date.

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00:06:28.980 --> 00:06:30.840

Kenneth Stone: I will say that I think

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00:06:30.960 --> 00:06:32.340 Kenneth Stone: coven delayed.

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00:06:32.460 --> 00:06:43.200

Kenneth Stone: Some of the review process. This program is funded by the dormitory authority they issue bonds. And so once library say library transferred over to dormitories

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00:06:43.260 --> 00:06:44.820

Kenneth Stone: For the staff, they go through

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00:06:45.480 --> 00:07:00.930

Kenneth Stone: Sometimes two or three rounds and questions I've already answered questions twice on different projects and we've made changes to reflect dormitory authority concerns, so I couldn't be part of that. But I think part of it frankly is states cash flows.

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00:07:01.020 --> 00:07:04.080

Kenneth Stone: Is they're hurting right now when you start coming in.

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00:07:05.970 --> 00:07:15.060

Kenneth Stone: And so I think they're slow pain. A lot of stuff we've only got about 40% of our operating a 40 well in fact yeah the EFT came in and August.

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00:07:15.960 --> 00:07:30.360

Kenneth Stone: For the basic aid and that was 80% of the basic aid amount and that represents about if I'm remembering correctly 44% or state aid for the year, including grants normally at this time of year, we'd have almost nine

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00:07:32.070 --> 00:07:33.030

Kenneth Stone: So it's

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00:07:33.540 --> 00:07:42.480

Kenneth Stone: Yeah, it's not unexpected and if the feds don't come through. I think we could see more of that. So it's definitely worth applying and

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00:07:42.960 --> 00:07:51.720
Kenneth Stone: The. The advantage to applying right now. Actually, there are a
number of advantages. One of the reasons we select the this project is the city had
already borrowed money for the map.
101
00:07:52.560 --> 00:07:54.180
Kenneth Stone: So we know the money is available.
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00:07:55.110 --> 00:07:57.510
Kenneth Stone: And we put people to work so
103
00:07:58.170 --> 00:07:59.130
Kenneth Stone: It's a win win.
104
00:07:59.550 --> 00:08:01.980
Kenneth Stone: And we are going to, you know, we're going to
105
00:08:03.150 --> 00:08:05.730
Kenneth Stone: Basically we're in a position to scoop up most of the
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00:08:05.730 --> 00:08:11.130
Kenneth Stone: Money, because some of the other municipalities had been considering
projects backed off because of
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00:08:11.130 --> 00:08:11.790
Uncertainty
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00:08:12.960 --> 00:08:24.450
Kenneth Stone: The other thing depending on how long it takes is we may get either
good bid pricing or the best crews working on it. Because what we're seeing in the
pipeline, as far as contractors and stuff.
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00:08:25.050 --> 00:08:26.040
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Is is
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00:08:26.580 --> 00:08:27.870
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Kenneth Stone: pretty dry.

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00:08:29.460 --> 00:08:38.010
Kenneth Stone: We just had an RFP do today for design for the Merryweather
improvements that the SAM brands is going to fund and we had nine firms respond
112
00:08:40.470 --> 00:08:40.920
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Yeah, that's
113
00:08:42.570 --> 00:08:43.800
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: That's architects and engineers.
114
00:08:43.830 --> 00:08:45.210
Kenneth Stone: Do the sign everybody
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00:08:46.470 --> 00:08:52.680
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Everybody, write it down in everything,
and they were coming in, much smaller than they probably would have
116
00:08:53.430 --> 00:08:55.020
Kenneth Stone: Right. Well, I mean, a lot of it is
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00:08:56.550 --> 00:09:02.040
Kenneth Stone: Understandably, a lot of organizations are pulling back because
they're afraid they're going to get
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00:09:02.160 --> 00:09:03.990
Kenneth Stone: Some huge cut from the statement.
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00:09:04.110 --> 00:09:13.260
Kenneth Stone: Make your most municipalities are they've already got 20% at least
held back. And if the state's us get more funding. You can see more custom next
year.
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00:09:13.710 --> 00:09:16.740
Kenneth Stone: And that's huge. It's a real problem for the city of Buffalo.
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00:09:16.770 --> 00:09:17.910
Kenneth Stone: Because they're heavily dependent on
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00:09:19.980 --> 00:09:20.160
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In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: So,
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00:09:20.190 --> 00:09:21.390
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: That's I think that's why
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00:09:21.390 --> 00:09:23.280
Kenneth Stone: You're seeing a lot of the cutting back so
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00:09:23.370 --> 00:09:24.000
Kenneth Stone: We're in a
126
00:09:25.170 --> 00:09:27.750
Kenneth Stone: In ironically fortunate position because
127
00:09:28.080 --> 00:09:30.570
Kenneth Stone: The city money to match this is already borrowed
128
00:09:31.470 --> 00:09:33.510
Kenneth Stone: So it's already you know
129
00:09:34.560 --> 00:09:38.490
Kenneth Stone: It. We don't have to get approval for them to borrow and again it's
already there.
130
00:09:39.180 --> 00:09:41.670
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Okay. All right. Thank you. Let me help
that. Sure, sure.
131
00:09:42.180 --> 00:09:45.060
Kenneth Stone: And then if that's a good segue. Then moving into the next one.
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00:09:45.930 --> 00:09:47.970
Kenneth Stone: I forgot my normal preamble for this.
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00:09:48.600 --> 00:09:48.990
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: You
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00:09:49.320 --> 00:09:52.800
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Kenneth Stone: Know you as a Board of Trustees of the buffoonery County Public Library

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00:09:53.010 --> 00:10:08.310

Kenneth Stone: Played two roles in the New York State Library construction aid program one role is as the operator of the buffalo branch and central libraries. You are the grant requested and that's the resolution that

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00:10:08.640 --> 00:10:10.530

Kenneth Stone: That we just talked about requesting

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00:10:10.980 --> 00:10:13.320

Kenneth Stone: Authorizing applying for the grand

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00:10:14.580 --> 00:10:26.580

Kenneth Stone: But you as a library system providing system services to the member libraries and buffalo brand central I'll play a role in reviewing the application center that are then turned in.

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00:10:27.180 --> 00:10:29.280

Sheldon Berlow: And making a recommendation for funding.

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00:10:29.730 --> 00:10:35.100

Kenneth Stone: Particularly in the case where the funding is requested exceeds the allocation.

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00:10:36.210 --> 00:10:37.770

Kenneth Stone: That is the case this year.

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00:10:38.670 --> 00:10:39.750 Kenneth Stone: But not by much.

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00:10:40.860 --> 00:10:46.770

Kenneth Stone: Because of the factors I mentioned earlier, we only had last year we have, I believe, six applications.

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00:10:46.920 --> 00:10:48.210

Kenneth Stone: This year we only had three

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00:10:48.960 --> 00:10:57.600
Kenneth Stone: One for the console Soto brass. I just, we just heard about
requesting 640 $2,000
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00:10:59.130 --> 00:11:02.160
Kenneth Stone: One for the North Collins library to
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00:11:02.490 --> 00:11:04.140
Kenneth Stone: Rick requesting
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00:11:04.620 --> 00:11:12.510
Kenneth Stone: 5400 and grant funding to do an LED conversion. They want to replace
the fixtures, as well as the balls.
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00:11:13.290 --> 00:11:14.850
Kenneth Stone: So it does qualify for the grant.
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00:11:15.060 --> 00:11:24.630
Kenneth Stone: And they like energy saving grants as well. And then the Grand Island
library is replacing some additional some sections of sidewalks and and previously
been replaced and
151
00:11:25.050 --> 00:11:29.130
Kenneth Stone: light poles that are rushing to the point where they're afraid. Some
of them might fall in a car.
152
00:11:30.720 --> 00:11:34.950
Kenneth Stone: Ironically, the light poles already have led on top of so they
literally are just
153
00:11:34.980 --> 00:11:36.120
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Replacing like
154
00:11:37.020 --> 00:11:41.100
Kenneth Stone: And that's that is about 35,000 project, they're asking for about
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00:11:41.100 --> 00:11:43.620
Kenneth Stone: 17,800 grants.
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00:11:44.310 --> 00:11:45.000 Kenneth Stone: Read plans. 157 00:11:45.630 --> 00:12:05.520 Kenneth Stone: So total requests or 660 \$5,000 the available funding at this point is 640 1008 63 which means we need to reduce one of the grant application requests by 24 little over \$24,000 and the recommendation is to take that 158 00:12:06.240 --> 00:12:07.410 Kenneth Stone: From the large one. 159 00:12:08.700 --> 00:12:23.040 Kenneth Stone: Because I heard this from Gonzalez Soto. So at this point, instead of getting the 640 \$2,671 requested they the console. So the library would get 618,000 540 160 00:12:24.030 --> 00:12:25.320 Ted Johnson: And the other two. We recommend 161 00:12:25.320 --> 00:12:30.150 Kenneth Stone: Fleming fully both of the North Collins library and 162 00:12:30.150 --> 00:12:32.040 Kenneth Stone: The soda library qualify for 163 00:12:32.040 --> 00:12:33.780 Kenneth Stone: 75% up to 164 00:12:33.780 --> 00:12:34.920 Sheldon Berlow: 75% state. 165 00:12:34.950 --> 00:12:48.870 Kenneth Stone: Funding because the poverty buffalo because of the poverty rate being

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00:12:50.100 --> 00:12:57.150

being essentially 100%

Kenneth Stone: And North columnist because their school entrepreneur dissipation is over 35% that's the criteria of the board adopted.

below both the city and the state and county average and school lunch participation

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00:12:57.150 --> 00:13:00.780
Kenneth Stone: Last year, North column schools, that's over 40%
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00:13:01.230 --> 00:13:04.500
Kenneth Stone: Measuring in the last month where we had data was was back in May.
169
00:13:06.450 --> 00:13:17.970
Kenneth Stone: So that would be the recommended recommendation for funding and the
bonus or the strategy involved in the case of the grant applications is
170
00:13:19.260 --> 00:13:20.790
Ted Johnson: You are the law.
171
00:13:20.850 --> 00:13:25.980
Kenneth Stone: Allows us to allocate in this case this year $641,000
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00:13:26.550 --> 00:13:27.180
Kenneth Stone: And we're
173
00:13:27.420 --> 00:13:30.330
Kenneth Stone: So many requests and adjusting for balance to that.
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00:13:31.260 --> 00:13:34.170
Kenneth Stone: All the other library systems in New York State are doing the same
thing.
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00:13:35.550 --> 00:13:40.140
Kenneth Stone: Almost every year there are library systems, whose member libraries.
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00:13:40.380 --> 00:13:42.240
Sheldon Berlow: Don't have enough projects.
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00:13:42.270 --> 00:13:50.700
Kenneth Stone: Don't have enough matching funds, what have you to use all their
funds and the state will as they're going through the evaluation process. Usually
it's
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00:13:51.240 --> 00:14:00.060
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Kenneth Stone: A fire drill, I get a call and november december saying can you use some money. We need to get some indication, real quick, and they'll redistribute the library systems. 179

00:14:00.300 --> 00:14:05.040

Kenneth Stone: So when given what's going on in the state. I wouldn't be surprised if

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00:14:06.210 --> 00:14:08.340

Kenneth Stone: They reallocate enough money for us to fully fund.

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00:14:11.220 --> 00:14:12.930

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: So that's how that process works.

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00:14:13.410 --> 00:14:14.610

Kenneth Stone: Any questions on that.

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00:14:16.800 --> 00:14:17.910 Kenneth Stone: Okay, and then

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00:14:18.810 --> 00:14:19.290

Kenneth Stone: The

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00:14:19.380 --> 00:14:27.810

Kenneth Stone: Next item is requesting normally we do a authorize here and transfers over 5000 in October.

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00:14:29.370 --> 00:14:33.330

Kenneth Stone: I'm bringing it forward this year with a twist expanding it to be.

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00:14:33.750 --> 00:14:34.530 Kenneth Stone: To deal with

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00:14:34.890 --> 00:14:37.590

Kenneth Stone: Anything related to coven 19 if we need to do it.

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00:14:38.520 --> 00:14:44.850

Kenneth Stone: And to do it authorize director to implement transfer we report it in the next

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00:14:45.900 --> 00:14:47.430

Kenneth Stone: Available monthly report.

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00:14:48.270 --> 00:15:03.990

Kenneth Stone: We haven't had to do much of it so far. But we might need to move money just to cover the fact that that employer insurances is obviously well above budget. It's not pushing the entire fringe benefit budget over so I don't have to transfer any money at

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00:15:03.990 --> 00:15:04.440 Sheldon Berlow: This point

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00:15:04.500 --> 00:15:11.160

Kenneth Stone: It's it's at that higher level that the funding is but this would just have it there just in case we need it.

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00:15:13.860 --> 00:15:18.540

Kenneth Stone: At so the monthly financial report we are operating within budget.

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00:15:19.800 --> 00:15:31.980

Kenneth Stone: Interestingly enough of. Normally, I have a fully enclosed some set of reports for July from the county. By this time, and we don't have it yet they've had some staff turnover. I think that's

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00:15:32.610 --> 00:15:33.840

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Tracy worried about it.

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00:15:34.530 --> 00:15:39.450

Kenneth Stone: And report. I'll be working out for you. That'll be in the packet hopefully tomorrow.

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00:15:40.650 --> 00:15:42.120 Kenneth Stone: We'll England.

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00:15:42.240 --> 00:15:47.520

Kenneth Stone: We think all the expenses are there, there could be a small adjustment, but I'm not

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00:15:47.520 --> 00:15:48.030
Expecting
201
00:15:49.080 --> 00:15:49.800
Sheldon Berlow: I think the report.
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00:15:51.420 --> 00:15:53.460
Kenneth Stone: And we are operating within budget bloomer novel.
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00:15:54.690 --> 00:15:55.020
So,
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00:15:56.790 --> 00:15:57.780
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: That's good thing.
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00:15:58.020 --> 00:15:58.710
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Thank you can
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00:15:59.220 --> 00:15:59.670
Thank you.
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00:16:02.070 --> 00:16:03.090
Kate Bucki: So, um,
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00:16:03.720 --> 00:16:04.830
Kate Bucki: I see that there are a few
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00:16:09.870 --> 00:16:11.640
Kate Bucki: Resolutions
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00:16:11.700 --> 00:16:12.300
For
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00:16:13.470 --> 00:16:15.600
Kate Bucki: policy changes.
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00:16:16.020 --> 00:16:17.970
Sheldon Berlow: From the governance committee to report on that.
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00:16:20.670 --> 00:16:22.080
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: I can report on that can
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00:16:23.040 --> 00:16:23.490
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: You hear me.
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00:16:24.600 --> 00:16:25.620
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Okay, great.
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00:16:25.890 --> 00:16:27.030
Kate Bucki: But the
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00:16:27.060 --> 00:16:34.890
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Three policies that have been reviewed
include the conflict of interest, the FX policy and the whistleblower policy.
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00:16:35.310 --> 00:16:41.790
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: And per the bylaws. These policies are
reviewed annually through the governance committee.
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00:16:42.240 --> 00:16:52.440
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: And subsequently, if any
recommendations for change are made, they come through the governance committee so
the governance committee is bringing forth these three
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00:16:53.280 --> 00:17:14.730
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: These three policies for, for all
intents and purposes, it is there are minor changes some grammatical some making the
language, the same threw out. Nothing, nothing at a significant level, but we will
provide all of those policies with the changes in the board packets
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00:17:18.000 --> 00:17:19.470
Kate Bucki: Okay. Sounds good. So
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00:17:19.950 --> 00:17:23.100
Kate Bucki: Then Mary Jean. Do you want to tell us anything like
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00:17:23.220 --> 00:17:25.470
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Kate Bucki: Give us a preview of your report for 224 00:17:25.650 --> 00:17:26.160 Kate Bucki: Next week, 225 00:17:26.850 --> 00:17:28.860 In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Wow, the report that long because 226 00:17:29.280 --> 00:17:31.050 Kate Bucki: Although they're interesting they 227 00:17:31.050 --> 00:17:42.090 In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Focus predominantly on the Great job, that the staff and administration has done throughout the call the 19 pandemics and particularly with getting services back to 228 00:17:42.120 --> 00:17:42.990 In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Up and running. 229 00:17:43.380 --> 00:17:55.320 In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: While maintaining virtual services going forward. And so I will leave that reading to each and every one of you need to go to sleep at night. I'm sure that's. Those are good things to be reading 230 00:17:56.040 --> 00:17:57.660 Sheldon Berlow: But I also would like to report. 231 00:17:57.720 --> 00:18:10.830 In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: That we are soon to get underway with the committee to produce the next five year plan of service, which is a requirement of the state of New York. Department of Education. 232 00:18:11.370 --> 00:18:29.490 In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Janine Doyle is going to head that mike on a day to has selected two members of the system board to participate in that process. They are Joel more and Katie bird. Thank you very much. K bird and I will.

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00:18:30.840 --> 00:18:36.870

Thanks, Joel at next week's meeting.

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: So with that, I'm going to just move it

along to the association of contracting library trustees.

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00:18:37.560 --> 00:18:49.890
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: The Board of which has matched and via
zoom and and they also have brought forth a two contracting library trustees to
participate in the five year plan development.
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00:18:50.310 --> 00:19:04.110
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: And they are Gary how of Lancaster and
Karen board narrow of the City of Toronto Wanda. So we're grateful to have them on
that committee as well and Janine will get that underway. By the end of the month.
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00:19:05.070 --> 00:19:07.290
Sheldon Berlow: Yes. Okay. Yes.
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00:19:07.920 --> 00:19:09.300
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: So that is my report.
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00:19:11.160 --> 00:19:12.390
Kate Bucki: Great, thank you Mary
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00:19:14.220 --> 00:19:19.710
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Kate. Would you like me to speak about
the monumental women of Western New York, upstate sure
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00:19:19.740 --> 00:19:20.790
Katie Burd: It doesn't look like anybody
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00:19:21.210 --> 00:19:24.210
Kate Bucki: The public is on fire. So I was gonna say, you know,
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00:19:24.570 --> 00:19:26.760
Kate Bucki: Obviously, we can skip that. So if you'd like to
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00:19:27.120 --> 00:19:30.180
Kate Bucki: Move on to that. That sounds good. Sure.
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In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: So if, if the boardroom recalls

monumental women of Western New York. Is it fair enough how trailblazing women.

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00:19:39.810 --> 00:19:48.810

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: This is about the monument project dedicated to women that the request had calm and the board agreed to potentially having

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00:19:49.710 --> 00:20:02.250

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Some type of sculpture on the front ramp and they this group, the group is coming to provide an update. I think you will be pleased with all of the work that has been done on that.

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00:20:02.670 --> 00:20:18.630

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Katie has been a Katie bird has been the liaison to this organization. I also participate in their executive committee and Katie will be participating in the presentation. So it'll be probably 1520 minutes long.

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00:20:19.680 --> 00:20:31.830

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: So at the board meeting, they will be present, members of the troubles in women will be plus or excuse me, I can speak present and it will be projected

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00:20:33.270 --> 00:20:33.660

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Through

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00:20:33.690 --> 00:20:35.910

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Zoom for those who will be participating

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00:20:35.910 --> 00:20:36.480

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Via zoom

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00:20:38.580 --> 00:20:39.630

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Are there any questions.

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00:20:43.980 --> 00:20:47.940

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: The last resolution is something that I hope the board.

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In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Will absolutely approve and that is

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00:20:50.100 --> 00:20:59.490

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Pursuant to the 1953 legislation that brought the library system together that does speak to the appointment of the director and the Deputy Director

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00:20:59.970 --> 00:21:13.050

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Deputy Directors of currently can sit down and Janine Doyle every three years. These positions to come up for reappointment can has kindly agreed.

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00:21:13.560 --> 00:21:24.960

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: It's the board so chooses to be reappointed for an additional three years and I am recommending that the board approves this resolution on the 17th, so almost

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00:21:32.760 --> 00:21:41.730

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Hey, okay with that resolution, it will be your discretion is if you feel you need to go into executive

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00:21:42.510 --> 00:21:47.730

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Session and you can call that at the beginning of the meeting, that's a decision.

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00:21:48.360 --> 00:21:55.800

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: You want I can talk about that. I can tell you that the resolution is quite similar to how my resolution for reappointment thank you again.

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In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Was set up and through discussion, and that is that the board will consider an increase in compensation. Once we know what the budget is going forward. If all other benefits will remain consistent

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00:22:13.320 --> 00:22:14.610

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Okay, thank you. Mary Jean

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00:22:14.850 --> 00:22:16.110 Kate Bucki: So is there anything

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Kate Bucki: Else that anyone else wants to bring up
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00:22:20.880 --> 00:22:21.840
Kate Bucki: before we adjourn.
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00:22:23.190 --> 00:22:23.490
Frank Housh: Quick
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00:22:23.520 --> 00:22:26.010
Frank Housh: Quick point and congratulations can
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00:22:28.440 --> 00:22:28.860
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: We
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00:22:29.160 --> 00:22:33.420
Frank Housh: Received the memo related to a retirement in the
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00:22:33.450 --> 00:22:35.700
In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: senior administration. Yeah.
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00:22:36.630 --> 00:22:37.860
Frank Housh: And I'm just curious.
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00:22:38.880 --> 00:22:39.300
Frank Housh: About
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00:22:39.420 --> 00:22:39.840
Frank Housh: If you've
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00:22:40.200 --> 00:22:47.760
Frank Housh: It's early. I don't know how how if we had any forewarning but um, how
do you do to plan to restructure do you plan.
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00:22:47.760 --> 00:22:50.820
Frank Housh: To replace any thoughts.
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00:22:51.270 --> 00:22:55.290

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: That's a very good question. Thank you for asking that. Frank, it was

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00:22:56.430 --> 00:22:56.910

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: It was

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00:22:58.650 --> 00:23:13.020

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: It was the decision that was made Dawn made the decision herself. I can tell you because of HIPAA regulations, I cannot give away a lot of the information I want to assure you, she will be fine. I want to share that information with you.

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00:23:14.460 --> 00:23:26.490

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: The we have been restructuring Janine, and her team have been working on that we divvied up all of the responsibilities that john has amongst myself. Janine.

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00:23:27.270 --> 00:23:41.400

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Maureen maclaughlin and during the garden and we will move forward with that we we certainly recognize that we do not know what the budget is going to be going forward. And I'm choosing not to fill that position.

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00:23:42.060 --> 00:23:59.820

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Because of because of that it also gives us an opportunity, I think we're all devastated that, you know, Darren has retired, but it gives us an opportunity to make some changes that I think will be beneficial to the institution.

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00:24:04.200 --> 00:24:05.400

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Are there any other questions.

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00:24:08.370 --> 00:24:14.040

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: We can redistribute updated organizational chart and that that's a good point and God

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00:24:14.040 --> 00:24:14.910

In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: just mentioned.

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00:24:15.450 --> 00:24:24.810 In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: We will distribute and updated organizational chart in the next couple of weeks, we want to make sure that all parties involved in all of these changes get notified. 286 00:24:28.860 --> 00:24:40.980 In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: And we will, and I know Kate. Kate chairman Buck I and I spoke about this before. I'm sure that the board will agree in recognition of dawn tenure here with the library. 287 00:24:42.330 --> 00:24:49.110 In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Down the road when we start meeting more more in person, we will be presenting her with a resolution. 288 00:24:55.050 --> 00:24:55.620 In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: All good. 289 00:25:02.010 --> 00:25:04.050 Katie Burd: Thank you. So does anyone 290 00:25:04.140 --> 00:25:05.400 Kate Bucki: Have anything else. 291 00:25:09.210 --> 00:25:10.050 Sheldon Berlow: Okay. 292 00:25:12.150 --> 00:25:15.390 Kate Bucki: Is there a motion to adjourn. 293 00:25:17.160 --> 00:25:17.610 In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: Second, 294 00:25:21.540 --> 00:25:22.770 In Person Audio - Kim Johnson, Elaine Panty: La made the motion. 295 00:25:28.650 --> 00:25:29.490 Katie Burd: Like Frank peace.

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00:25:29.520 --> 00:25:30.660

Kate Bucki: Out. So, all right.

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00:25:31.980 --> 00:25:32.310

Kate Bucki: So,

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Kate Bucki: Thank you, everybody. See you next week.

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00:25:37.800 --> 00:25:38.580 Ted Johnson: Have a nice evening.

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00:25:40.890 --> 00:25:41.130

Katie Burd: Bye.