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Minutes of the Gloversville Public Library **Board of Trustees Special Meeting** June 3, 2024 at 6 PM

The Gloversville Public Library Board of Trustees held a Special Board meeting June 3, 2024. President Greg Niforos noted that the following Trustees were present: Vice President Merry Dunn Brown, Vice President of Finance Charles "Ren" Reed, Caren Pepper, Charlotte Will, and Jonathan Federman. Library Director Valerie Acklin was also present.

Noting that a quorum of the Library Board of Trustees was present, Mr. Niforos called the meeting to order at 5:07 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Mr. Reed agreed to serve as Secretary Pro Tempore.

Ms. Acklin asked for a motion to change the operating hours of the Library for the month of June 2024 to Monday 2 PM to 7 PM; Tuesday through Thursday 9 AM to 7 PM; and Friday 9 AM to 5 PM. Ms. Pepper made the motion, seconded by Ms. Will. The Board unanimously approved with a vote of "aye".

Ms. Acklin asked for a motion to change the operating hours of the Library for July through December of 2024 to Monday 11 AM to 6 PM and Tuesday through Friday 9 AM to 5:15 PM. Ms. Will made the motion, seconded by Ms. Dunn Brown. The Board unanimously approved with a vote of "aye".

Ms. Acklin asked for a motion to close the Library to the public on Friday June 7, 2024 and from July 1, 2024 through July 15, 2024 for the purpose of reorganizing the Library. Ms. Pepper made the motion, seconded by Ms. Will. The Board unanimously approved with a vote of "aye".

At 5:55 PM, Mr. Niforos asked for a motion to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel changes. Ms. Dunn Brown made the motion, seconded by Ms. Pepper. The Board unanimously approved with a vote of "aye".

At 6:37 PM, Mr. Niforos asked for a motion to leave executive session. Ms. Dunn Brown made the motion, seconded by Ms. Will. The Board unanimously approved with a vote of "aye".

Mr. Niforos asked for a motion to change the title of employee SD from Library Clerk to Library Page starting July 1, 2024 for 13.5 hours per week and at an hourly rate of \$15.50, to abolish four Library Clerk positions, to change the working hours of employee BD from 35 hours per week to 17.5 hours per week at their previously voted upon hourly wage starting July 1, 2024, and to change the working hours of employee MS from 29 hours per week to 17.5 hours per week at their previously voted upon hourly wage starting July 1, 2024. Ms. Dunn Brown made the motion, seconded by Mr. Federman. The Board unanimously approved with a vote of "aye".

Mr. Reed presented the newly revised 2024-2025 operating budget. Mr. Reed indicated that this is a balanced budget that uses none of the Library's fund balance. Mr. Reed also informed the Board that about \$240,000 is left from the \$500,000 state employment grant that was received in 2022. He explained that the Budget and Finance Committee plans to use \$100,000 of that money in the 2024-2025 fiscal year operating budget, \$80,000 of that money in the 2025-2026 fiscal year operating budget, and \$60,000 of that money in the 2026-2027 fiscal year operating budget. Mr. Niforos asked for a motion to reallocate the state employment grant money as outlined in Mr. Reed's report and to approve the newly revised 2024-2025 operating budget. Mr. Federman made the motion, seconded by Ms. Pepper. The Board unanimously approved with a vote of "aye".

At 7:10 PM, Mr. Niforos requested a motion to adjourn. Mr. Federman made the motion, seconded by Ms. Will. The Board unanimously approved with a vote of "aye".

Respectfully submitted

Charles "Ren" Reed, Secretary Pro Tempore

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