

NOTICE OF MEETING
MARSHALL PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
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The regular meeting of the Board will be held in the Community Room on **August 17th, 2017 at 4:15 p.m.**

The agenda for the meeting is as follows:

CONSENT AGENDA

The following business items may be approved by one motion and a vote. If any one member of the Board so desires, any matter listed can be moved to a separate agenda item.

- Minutes of the regular meeting July 20th, 2017
- Financial Reports

AGENDA

- Board election
- Gift of painting by Ryan Family
- Public Comments

ORDER OF BUSINESS

- Call to order
- Consent Agenda
- Director's Report
- Supervisor's Reports
- Agenda Items
- Adjournment

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Posted August 10th, 2017

Library Director's Report

August 17, 2017

Eric Suess

- I am working with Finance and Legal to get the lighting project started.
- I will be running for re-election to ALA Council. Elections are in the spring.
- The Library will be closed (as will most City operations) on August 21st due to the eclipse.
- As part of our interest in the Girls Who Code program, we will be doing an assessment, and likely upgrade, of our WiFi capacity. We are already having bandwidth issues, so an upgrade is needed regardless.
- The Library Board met with City Council on August 10th and discussed a number of accomplishments and priorities.

Eric Suess - Report
American Library Association
Annual Conference
Chicago, June 22-27, 2017

The American Library Association's Annual Conference was held at McCormick Place in Chicago, with an attendance of 22,702. My primary purpose for attending was to meet with several committees on which I sit, but also to do some networking, and attend a few programs. It was a very collegial and well-organized conference.

Opening General Session

The speaker for the Opening General Session was Reshma Saujani, founder of the program "Girls Who Code." Saujani has been named one of Fortune Magazine's 40 Under 40, a Wall Street Journal Innovator of the Year, one of the 50 Most Powerful Women in New York by the New York Daily News, Forbes's Most Powerful Women Changing the World, and Business Insider's 50 Women Who are Changing the World.

Saujani indicated that the number of young women entering tech fields is actually shrinking. She has a goal of reaching one million young women by 2020. The Program is a cooperative effort with schools, libraries and other non-profits throught the contry, and introduces young women to over 100 hours of curriculum, designed to foster creativity, teach basic technology skills, and promote an interest in exploring a career in STEM areas.

If our Library were able to secure the resources (computers and bandwidth) to support this program in our community, we could have an impact.

OCLC Reception – Adler Planetarium

OCLC is the world's largest provider of shared bibliographic data, the driving force for descriptive cataloging records and interlibrary loan transactions. Our Library is an active and contributing member. The reception was an excellent chance to meet representatives of OCLC as well as other colleagues. Andrew Pace, who serves in an administrative position with OCLC, is a member of ALA's Executive Board, and is a colleague with whom I've worked personally on Council and other committees, recommended that I run for a position on OCLC's Council. I was introduced to the person who will be coordinating that election. She indicated that there were too few public librarians and too few non-midwest/east coast representatives, and that she would get in touch with me in October to place me on the ballot.

Committee on Organization

The Committee on Organization (COO) is a committee of Council whose charge is:

To advise and assist regarding structural and organizational concerns in ALA. To recommend to council the establishment or discontinuance of divisions, round tables, membership initiative groups, ALA committees, assemblies and joint committees, as the needs of the

association may require. To define the functions of these units, subject to the approval of council. To recommend to council the establishment, including the name and size, of other standing committees to consider matters of the association that require continuity of attention by the members. To recommend to executive board the appropriate unit to appoint official representatives to outside organizations. To receive notification of the formation of interdivisional committees.

This Conference marked the end of my two-year appointment to this committee. I have been re-appointed for another two years. There were two meetings of this committee. We worked with the creation of new bodies, changes in the charge of another, and the combining of two previously separate entities, as well as other items. Knowledge of the rules governing the complex structure of ALA is essential. My first term was, to some extent, a learning process, although I was able to contribute throughout.

Council/Executive Board/Membership Information Session

This meeting was a reporting to the membership of a number of items. These Included:

- ALA President-Elect's Report
- ALA Executive Director's Report
- Budget Analysis and Review Committee Report
- ALA Treasurer's Report
- ALA Endowment Trustees Report

ALA Membership Meeting

This meeting is an opportunity for the general membership of the Association to bring forth items of concern or interest, including resolutions. In this particular meeting, no resolution came forward. Memorials and Tributes are also brought forward at this meeting, and several were presented, including a tribute to ALA Executive Director Keith Michael Fiels who was to retire, following this Conference, after many years of service. Also included in this meeting was an update on Federal programs, funding, and strategies for membership the Associate Executive Director of the ALA Washington Office, and the Managing Director of the ALA Office for Government Relations.

APA Lake Cruise

The American Psychology Association sponsored a dinner and cruise on Lake Michigan – another chance to network with colleagues, and enjoy a spectacular view of the skyline. I've lived in Chicago and spent much time here over the course of a number of conferences and meetings, and this was my first lake cruise.

- **ALA Council**

As an elected Councillor at-Large, I serve on the governing and policy-making body of the Association. This conference marked the end of the second year of my third three-

year term. The ALA Council met for seven hours over three meetings.

Council I

- Nomination of Council Committee on Committees
- Nomination of Representatives to the Planning and Budget Assembly
- Report on the ALA Executive Director Search Committee
- ALA President's Report
- Review of Executive Board Actions since the Midwinter 2017 Meeting
- Report on Implementation of the 2017 Midwinter Meeting Council Actions
- An ALA Statement on Global Climate Change and a Call for Support for Libraries and Librarians. Passed with significant floor revisions.
- Discussion on "How we can make every ALA member an effective and sustained advocate for Federal funding, Federal legislation, and Federal policies that impact libraries and library users.

Council II

- Committee on Diversity Report. Resolution to add equity, diversity, and inclusion definitions to the policy manual passes.
- Policy Monitoring Committee Report. Resolution to adjust locations of policies passes.
- Committee on Organization Report. Resolution on changes to the charge of the Website Advisory Committee passes.
- International Relations Committee Report
- Freedom to Read Foundation Report
- Center for the Future of Libraries Report
- Conference Accessibility Task Force Report

Council III

- Memorials, Tributes and Testimonials presented
- ALA Treasurer presents budgetary ceiling of \$66,674,990 for FY18. Passed
- Committee on Legislation Report
- Intellectual Freedom Committee Report. "Politics in American Libraries – an Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights" adopted. "Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion – an Interpretation of the Library Bill of Rights" adopted.

Council Forum

On the three late evenings prior to Council meetings, Council members meet informally to discuss matters which may appear before Council the following morning. While not mandatory, attendance at these fora is highly recommended. These meetings are an opportunity to vet resolutions before their official presentation so that the movers may strengthen their resolution, and answer questions. This is not a substitute for debate on

Council floor. It is also an excellent venue to help clarify intent and specifics of wording. I have attended all three fora in most every case, as it makes me a more effective councilor, and allows me to have friendly input.

OCLC President's Luncheon

This conference marked the 50th anniversary of OCLC. This was another opportunity to network with colleagues, and to celebrate a major library milestone.

Closing General Session

The speaker for the Closing General Session was Secretary Hillary Clinton. The speech was carried live by CNN and is available to watch at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S8OEAPSFp4c>

Bringing it home

While networking and committee work are all valuable and important, I always look at what can be brought home. I picked up several items of specific interest to staff members as I walked through the exhibit hall. I had an opportunity to meet with our vendors, and ask questions. Beyond that, though, I think the biggest impact from this particular conference was the potential for implementing the Girls Who Code program, which will have a direct impact on our community. In addition, if I am slated for and successful at gaining a seat on the OCLC Council, I can make sure that the interests and concerns of public libraries, and of libraries from this part of the country are brought to the table.

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE MARSHALL PUBLIC
LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

July 20th, 2017

Sandra Shropshire called the meeting to order at 4:16 p.m. Present were Trustees Kathryn Way, Sharon Manning, and Jay Bingham. Staff present included: Eric Suess, Director; Trina Bonman, Associate Director; Amy Campbell, Public Services Supervisor; Kathryn Poulter, Children's Services Supervisor and Sheri Waite, Technical Services Supervisor. Also present was City Council Representative Jim Johnston

CONSENT AGENDA

The minutes from the June 15th meeting were considered. Jay Bingham moved to approve them. Kathryn Way seconded.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT presented by Eric Suess

- We are now fully staffed. Katy Crosley has filled our open Page position.
- I attended the American Library Association Conference in Chicago. My report will be sent separately.
- Summer reading programs continue, and are very successful.
- We started concrete repair for the sidewalk by the old building, to avoid water leaking into the foundation.
- By the meeting date, the shelving (paid for by the Friends) will be ordered.
- August 10th the Library Board will meet with the City Council.
- We would like to develop a Girls Who Code program here at the library. It would be great to partner with the community to purchase 25 laptops.

SUPERVISORS REPORTS:

Public Services report

- Art Walk – We signed up 35 people for the Summer Reading program.
- Overall there are 110 adults signed up for Summer Reading. At least 10 participants have read more than 5000 pages.
- Kathann and Amy went to the Growing Together conference for teachers.
- Stats – We gave out 244 library cards, made contact with 13,742 patrons, and checked out 24,106 items.

Technical Services report presented by Sheri Waite

- NA

Children's Services report presented by Kathryn Poulter

- Summer Reading is going really well.
- 44 kids attended our latest movie showing.

AGENDA

- None

Meeting was adjourned at 4:42 pm. Sharon Manning moved and Jay Bingham seconded.

Respectfully submitted,

Trina Bonman, Associate Director