

EVANSDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY
SPECIAL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Thursday, October 8, 2020 – 5:30 p.m.

Call to Order. The meeting was called to order by senior board member Pritchett at 5:31 p.m.

There was a welcome to and introduction of board members around the circle for the newest sitting board members.

Roll Call: Present: Hansen, Peterson, Pritchett, Walker and Wilson
Absent: Osborne
A quorum was present.

Pritchett said she thought we should go out of order on the agenda and vote for officers first so that there was someone to lead the meeting. Hansen said she was doing fine and thought we should just continue in order of the agenda.

Approval of July, August and September bills to be paid: Pritchett moved and Walker seconded to approve the bills from July, August, and September to be paid.
Ayes – 5. Nays – 0. The motion carried.

Old Business:

- A. Election of officers–** Pritchett said that since she was the longest serving board member she was throwing her hat in for president. She noted Hansen had volunteered to be vice-president. Hansen said that was the original plan but after receiving several calls, he too was running for president. Pritchett pitched her case as to why she should be president including her longevity. Hansen then stumped for the position, noting he was board president for several years and on the board during the expansion and remodel, crediting himself for the design and layout.

Osborne arrived at 5:40 p.m.

President: Peterson asked how we were supposed to vote as she wasn't necessarily comfortable voting in front of them. Hansen and Pritchett said they could step out but Jensen noted that then there would be no quorum; plus, they get to vote too. She suggested doing it by secret ballot, which seemed to work best for everybody. Jensen handed out slips of paper to each board member and asked they write the name they chose for president. She gathered them and tallied them. Vote was Hansen – 4, Pritchett – 2. Hansen will be the president for FY2021.

Vice-president: Walker nominated Pritchett for vice-president and Peterson seconded. Ayes – 5. Nays – Pritchett. Although she said she would fulfill the position.

Secretary: Pritchett nominated Walker for secretary and Peterson seconded. Ayes – 6. The motion carried.

Treasurer: Pritchett nominated Wilson for treasurer and Peterson seconded. Ayes – 6. The motion carried.

Discussion:

Pritchett asked the new board members to contact someone, herself or Director Jensen, if they could not make a meeting. Hansen said they could contact him as well.

Since this meeting was just eleven days from the regularly scheduled meeting, the regular meeting on October 19th will be skipped and the board will come in fresh and ready to go for the November meeting on November 16th.

As newly elected president, Hansen thanked everyone for being on the board and thanked those that volunteered to sit in officer positions.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 6:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shannon Jensen, Library Director