

Greenwood Public Library  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
310 S. Meridian, Greenwood, IN 46143  
June 10, 2025, 6:00pm

Members attending in person: Lori Feller, Nate Ellis, Josh Jackson, Carmen Madsen, David Penoff, Tamara Russell, Shan Rutherford

Members attending electronically: None

Members absent: None

Other attendees: Cheryl Dobbs, Kevin Hoover, Emily Ellis, Karen Jewell, Lynn Johnson, Julia Reynolds, Anna Roberts

Attending electronically: None

Unavailable: Donna Ciriello, Linda Messick

### **PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING AN ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION**

Call to Order: Lori Feller called the public hearing to order at 6:00 p.m.

Lori Feller introduced that as required, the Board is holding an additional appropriation hearing tonight on the proposed Bond proceeds. The Notice of this Additional Appropriation Hearing was published as legally required. This is an opportunity for the public to make comments about the additional appropriation. Each person would be asked to provide their name and address and to limit their comments to 3 minutes and that the topic be limited to the proposed appropriation of the Bond proceeds.

Public Comment: Since no members of the public chose to attend, the hearing was closed and the regular meeting reopened.

Adjournment: Lori Feller adjourned the public meeting at 6:02 p.m.

### **REGULAR MEETING OF THE GREENWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

Call to Order: Lori Feller called the June 2025 regular meeting of the Greenwood Public Library Board of Trustees to order at 6:02 p.m.

#### **Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation**

Carmen Madsen led the Pledge of Allegiance and Shan Rutherford conducted the invocation.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

Minutes of the May meeting were reviewed.

Josh Jackson moved to approve the minutes, Nate Ellis seconded, and the minutes of the May 13, 2025 meeting were approved by unanimous voice vote.

### **Board Correspondence:**

Board members received a letter at their homes from Greg Wright, City Controller, City of Greenwood dated May 14, 2025. The letter confirms that no excess assessed value has been determined for any of the tax increment allocation areas.

## **FINANCE**

### **Finance Committee Report:**

Tamara Russell reported that the Finance Committee met just before this meeting on June 10, 2025.

Lynn Johnson confirmed that all funds are in balance at all the banks.

Carmen Madsen signed off on all bank balances.

Cheryl Dobbs and Emily Ellis shared the first drafts of the 2026 budget and salary proposals. This is a first look for the Finance Committee. The information will be shared with the full board in a future meeting.

### **Review of Accounts Payable and Treasurer's Report**

Carmen Madsen noted that all liabilities have been recognized, checks have been written and signed, and payments will be made on time.

Carmen Madsen moved to approve, Nate Ellis seconded, and the Treasurer's Report was approved by signature.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Resolution 25-04 Additional Appropriation of GO Bonds**

Following this hearing on the additional appropriation, the Library Board must approve the appropriation of the bond proceeds to be spent on the project costs before any bond money can be expended. Unlike appropriations for tax dollars, this additional appropriation of the bond proceeds is not required to be approved by the Department of Local Government Finance.

Lori Feller called for a motion and second to adopt Resolution 25-04.

Shan Rutherford moved to approve, Josh Jackson seconded, and Resolution 25-04 Additional Appropriation of GO Bonds was approved by signature.

#### Resolution 25-05 Final Bond Resolution

The Final Bond Resolution establishes the amount to be borrowed, maximum terms of Repayment, and maximum interest rate. It also confirms the details about the bond, such as the form of the bond.

Lori Feller called for a motion and second to adopt Resolution 25-05.

Carmen Madsen moved to approve, David Penoff seconded, and Resolution 25-05 Final Bond Resolution was approved by signature.

- First supplement to Master Continuing Disclosure Undertaking
- Registrar and Paying Agent Agreement

This resolution also approves the two forms listed above. The Securities and Exchange Commission requires that a library enter into a Master Continuing Disclosure Undertaking before it issues bonds. It requires that the library agree to annually provide certain types of financial information to the SEC's EMMA database and provide notice of certain material events on a timely basis. These forms were signed by Board President Lori Feller and attested by Board Secretary Tamara Russell.

#### Resolution 25-06 Resolution Approving Post Issuance Compliance

The Board accepts and ratifies the Post Issuance Compliance Procedures presented to the meeting, and directs that these Administrative Procedures be incorporated into the procedure and policy manuals of the Library administration.

The Board will appoint the Library Director to serve as the Compliance Officer as defined in attached Procedures and directs such Compliance Officer, in consultation with counsel, as appropriate, to implement such Procedures.

The Compliance Officer is also directed to review any disclosure documents, such as an Official Statement or Offering Memorandum, prepared on behalf of the Library in connection with the issuance of any Bonds issued hereafter and such Compliance Officer is authorized to consult with any staff, financial advisor, or counsel to assist with such review.

Lori Feller called for a motion and second to adopt Resolution 25-06.

David Penoff moved to approve, Nate Ellis seconded, and Resolution 25-06 Resolution Approving Post Issuance Compliance was approved by signature.

#### Executive Director Letter

On June 5, 2025, Board members received a letter from Cheryl Dobbs with official notification that she had accepted a new position as Director with the Danville-Center Township Public Library and will be resigning from the Greenwood Public Library. She will begin her work with DTCPL on August 1, 2025. This news had previously been announced to the Board at a special executive meeting held on May 22, 2025. The Board has thoroughly enjoyed and respected working with Cheryl and will miss her greatly though we know we will be in good hands with Emily Ellis who has been training for the Director position for years.

## **MONTHLY REPORTS**

Attorney's Update: None

Executive Director's Report:

Cheryl Dobbs shared her thoughts on her departure after 21 wonderful years with the library. Her official departure date is August 1, 2025 and last day in the building will be July 18, 2025.

Susan Jerger has been training in earnest to take over Lynn Johnson's bookkeeping responsibilities and Emily and Cheryl have been working on their transition.

Cheryl was especially pleased with the engaged attendance at the two community conversations regarding library funding that she scheduled. These were opportunities to gather patrons and supporters together and explain in some detail the impact of current legislation on public libraries in general and our library in particular.

Cheryl presented to the City Council on the 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> and received their unanimous approval to GPL's request to issue a replacement bond of \$2.5M.

Highlights from Department Reports:

Julia Reynolds reported receiving 119 RSVPs so far for Booked for the Evening to be held Thursday, June 19. Her goal is 130 attendees. Hello Neighbor continues to be active, counting 30 different businesses involved at different times. Five of those businesses are destinations on the Summer Reading program.

2025's Summer Reading Program, Novel Destinations, has launched with fun, creative decorating efforts from many departments. The Kids Dept has transformed areas into storybook settings like Pooh's Hundred Acre Wood, Oz, Narnia, Harry Potter's world, Minecraft world, etc. Kids have made Flat Fables to take on summer adventures and have their parents send pictures back via a QR code.

Other notable fun:

Jessica assisted with the Warrior Reads Party at Clark Pleasant.

OLG has agreed to add library card opt in to their school registration in July

Tween Scene Mario Kart Tournament and Cookie Decorating

Julia's Pioneer Woman celebration

Greenwood Schools Incoming Kindergartners Night

Classes from several different area schools in for tours

The Great Bake Down: a Bake Off Murder Mystery

Patty Fulton's two Weaving Classes in the studio.

Fatherhood Connection Program, Early Learners Literacy Program, Sensory Playdate

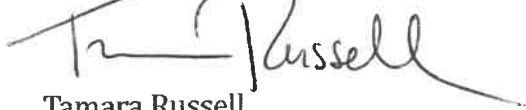
Other Business: None

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: Lori Feller called for a motion to adjourn.

Tamara Russell made a motion to adjourn, Nate Ellis seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tamara Russell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "R" and "s".

Tamara Russell

Secretary

