

**ROSELLE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT  
MINUTES OF THE COFFEE WITH THE BOARD EVENT  
DECEMBER 16, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The event began at 10:30 a.m.

**PRESENT**

Three (3) Trustees were present for the event: Trustee, Len Baumgart; Trustee, Sue Harold; and Trustee, Roxee Timan. Executive Director, Samantha Johnson was present. Eight (8) residents were also in attendance.

**TOPICS DISCUSSED**

- Virtual and hybrid events at the library, including the Illinois Libraries Present series of programs. A question was raised about whether these types of programs are increased during winter months.
- Library communications: how some are interested in whether more frequent/day-off communications can be developed, even via text message. Trustees asked residents if they feel they see library communications with enough regularity in the right places. A resident suggested that if the Library has plans to attempt another referendum, the Library should be saying so and share more information with the community about it.
- Recent library referendum: discussion about the design that was proposed and inquiries about whether the Library Board will present a modified plan in the future.
- Other referenda: residents noted they were working to understand the other referenda happening this next election.
- The Maple Avenue property formerly owned by Trinity Lutheran: a resident mentioned their interest in seeing that property developed into a new library facility/campus and another resident added a suggestion that the library and park could work together to develop the area into a destination for families. The example of Oak Park Public Library's Main Building and the adjacent Scoville Park was raised as an example for the Library to explore.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The event concluded at 12:00 p.m.

/s/ Mike Harrington  
Minutes Approved: Secretary

1/24/2024  
Date