

## SPECIAL MEETING OF THE RIVERDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

A special meeting of the Riverdale Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order by Trustee Williams, Trustee Gay, Trustee Battle and Trustee Givens at 6:00 P.M. on Monday, May 10, 2021 at the Riverdale Public Library. The agenda was posted on the library door on Thursday, May 6, 2021, and the call for the meeting and the agenda was sent to each board member and the administrative librarian. Trustee Brown and Trustee Battle were sworn in – Trustee Brown on May 10, 2021 and Trustee Battle on May 6, 2021.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The pledge of allegiance was recited.

### ROLL CALL:

The roll was called as follows: Trustee Gay, Present; Trustee Brown, Present; Trustee Givens, Present; Trustee Battle, Present; Trustee Williams, Present; Trustee Cunningham, Absent; President Burford, Absent. There was a quorum present to conduct business. Trustee Givens attended remotely due to a work conflict.

Also not present was staff member Katrina Harris.

### NEW BUSINESS:

- A. **Action Item:** Selection of Officers of the Board of Library Trustees (President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer)
1. Nomination and Vote on President
    - a. Trustee Williams nominated herself for President
    - b. Trustee Givens seconded the nomination
    - c. Roll Call: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays
  2. Nomination and Vote on Vice-President
    - a. Trustee Gay nominated herself for Vice-President
    - b. Trustee Battle seconded the nomination
    - c. Roll Call: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays
  3. Nomination and Vote on Secretary
    - a. Trustee Brown nominated Trustee Battle for Secretary
    - b. Trustee Gay seconded the nomination
    - c. Roll Call: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays
  4. Nomination and Vote on Treasurer
    - a. Trustee Battle nominated Trustee Brown for Treasurer
    - b. Trustee Gay seconded the nomination
    - c. Roll Call: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays
- B. **Action Item:** A Motion to repeal the June 12, 2017 rule adopted by the Board related to actions requiring the unanimous consent as described in the document 'Unanimous Voting' (read aloud by Trustee Williams) was made by Trustee Givens and seconded by Trustee Gay. Roll Call: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays  
The rule (as stated in the document 'Unanimous Voting') has been repealed.

- C. **Action Item:** A Motion to Recess to Executive Session to Discuss the Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of Certain Employees, 5 ILCS 120/2 (c)(2) was made by Trustee Battle and seconded by Trustee Brown. Roll Call: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays. The board recessed to Executive Session at 6:07 p.m.
1. Motion to place the Administrative Librarian on Paid Administrative Leave
  2. Motion to terminate Klein, Thorpe, and Jenkins as Board Attorney
  3. Motion to retain Montana & Welch as Board Attorney
- D. **Action Item:** A Motion to return to the Special Board Meeting was made by Trustee Givens and seconded by Dr. Brown. Roll Call: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays. The board returned to the Special Board Meeting at 6:13 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Action Item:** A Motion was made by Trustee Battle and seconded by Trustee Givens to place the Administrative Librarian on Paid Administrative Leave. Roll Call: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays.  
The Administrative Librarian was placed on Paid Administrative Leave effective May 10, 2021.
  2. **Action Item:** A Motion was made by Trustee Givens and seconded by Trustee Battle to terminate Klein, Thorpe and Jenkins as Board Attorney. Roll Call: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays.  
Klein, Thorpe and Jenkins was terminated as the Library Board Attorney.
  3. **Action Item:** A Motion was made by Trustee Gay and seconded by Trustee Battle to retain Montana & Welch as the Library Board Attorney. Roll Call: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays.  
Montana & Welch has been retained as the Library Board Attorney.
- E. Public Comment: (3 minutes per person for a total of 15 minutes)
- F. Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Battle and seconded by Trustee Brown at 6:17pm. Roll Call: 5 Ayes; 0 Nays.

SIGNED

Shana Battle

Shana Battle, Secretary

DATE

6-14-21