

**Reaching Across Illinois Library System
Nominating Committee Meeting
May 21, 2014 – 10:00 a.m.
RAILS Burr Ridge Service Center**

MINUTES

1. Welcome and Introductions

Chair Alan Davidson, welcomed members of the Nominating Committee to the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

2. Committee Members' Roll Call

Present at Burr Ridge: Alan Davidson, Anne Kozak,
By phone: Dennis Danowski, Beverly Hughes, Erin Wyatt,
Absent: none

3. Roll Call of Videoconference Sites

Guests at Burr Ridge: Dee Brennan, Brian Smith, Emily Fister

4. Adoption of Agenda

Ms. Kozak moved, and Ms. Hughes seconded that
THE AGENDA BE ADOPTED AS PRESENTED.
The motion carried.

5. Approval of Minutes

Ms. Kozak moved, and Mr. Danowski seconded that
THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 18, 2014 MEETING BE ADOPTED AS AMENDED.
The motion carried, with Ms. Hughes abstaining.

6. Oversee Vote Count Process

Mr. Brian Smith reviewed the vote count process. He reported that the actual count is done by the computer program, but he also does a manual review of the votes. He noted that two ballots were cast on behalf of Highland Park Public Library: one by the director, the other by a board member. The board member voted only for three candidates on the Trustee Ballot, and those three were also included on the ballot cast by the library director. The board member's ballot was removed from the count; this does not affect the outcome of the election. He said that one person voted twice, and that appears to have legitimately been done on behalf of two different member library agencies. Both of those ballots are included, but this does not affect the outcome of the election. The Committee thanked Mr. Smith for his professionalism, and his work on the election.

7. Verify Election Results

Mr. Smith presented the vote tallies for the 173 ballots cast in the 2014 RAILS Board election. Mr. Davidson asked if there were any questions from the Committee regarding the election or the vote count. Ms. Kozak confirmed that as Mr. Kerry Pearson had the fourth highest vote count, he would be filling the vacated position of Mardie Tuttle's 2 year term. Ms. Kozak asked if the committee was comfortable with the electronic results and if they were ready to verify the results. Ms. Kozak commented that committee appreciates the participation and interest of all the candidates and the fact that candidates were a group of qualified professionals.

Ms. Hughes moved, and Ms. Kozak seconded that:

THE COMMITTEE ACCEPTS THE ELECTRONIC PROCESS TO VERIFY THE ELECTION RESULTS AND RECOMMENDS TO THE RAILS BOARD:

FOR ACADEMIC MEMBERSHIP: DANE WARD, ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY, NORMAL
FOR TRUSTEE MEMBERSHIP, THREE YEAR TERMS: SARAH KEISTER ARMSTRONG, FREMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT, MUNDELEIN; DAVE BARRY, BARTLETT PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT; KATHY PARKER, TINLEY PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY;
FOR TRUSTEE MEMBERSHIP, TWO YEAR TERM: KERRY PEARSON, ARLINGTON HEIGHTS MEMORIAL LIBRARY;
FOR SCHOOL LIBRARIES MEMBERSHIP: MARY JO MATOUSEK, MERIDIAN MIDDLE SCHOOL, BUFFALO GROVE

The motion carried.

8. Develop Slate of Officers

The committee reviewed the list of candidates and the sitting board members. The committee agreed that new board member should have a year or two on the board before holding an office. The Committee discussed the geographical representation of board members, but agreed that their experience was more important. Mr. Davidson discussed the sitting board members and their interest in serving as officers. The committee decided that Bill Coffee will be offered the office of President, Mary Jo Matousek, Vice President, Ben Schapiro as Treasurer and Kerry Pearson as Secretary. Mr. Davison will call the candidates to confirm they would like to serve as officers.

Ms. Kozak moved, and Ms. Hughes seconded that:

THE SLATE OF OFFICERS AS PRESENTED BELOW BE RECOMMENDED FOR APPROVAL BY THE RAILS BOARD.

President: Bill Coffee
Vice President: Mary Jo Matousek
Secretary: Ben Schapiro
Treasurer: Kerry Pearson

The motion carried.

The Committee suggested again that the Board review the election portion of the bylaws.

9. Adjourn

At 10:32 a.m., the Nominating Committee meeting was adjourned.