

Benton Harbor Public Library Board Meeting  
August 18, 2020

Minutes

This meeting was conducted remotely

**PRESENT:**

Mamie L. Yarbrough: Board President, Treasurer, and Member of the Finance Committee  
Noreen Szymanski: Board Secretary and Member of the Finance Committee  
Board Members: Dyann Chenault, Ethel Clark-Griffin, Marian Tripplett, Edward Isom  
Director: Kat Boyer  
Secretary: Yvette Moore

**EXCUSED ABSENT:**

Richard Hensel

**CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 pm by President Yarbrough.

**Minutes of July Meeting**

A **motion** was made by Edward Isom and seconded by Dyann Chenault to approve the July Meeting Minutes.

**ROLL VOTE:**

Dyann Chenault – Yes  
Marian Tripplett – Yes  
Mamie Yarbrough – Yes  
Noreen Szymanski - Yes  
Edward Isom – Yes

**MOTION PASSED**

**FINANCIAL REPORTS**

A **motion** was made by Noreen Szymanski and seconded by Dyann Chenault to pay the July bills.

**ROLL VOTE:**

Mamie Yarbrough – Yes  
Marian Tripplett – Yes  
Dyann Chenault – Yes  
Edward Isom- Yes  
Noreen Szymanski – Yes  
Ethel Clark-Griffin - Yes

**MOTION PASSED**

**DIRECTOR’S REPORT:**

A **motion** was made by Noreen Szymanski and seconded by Marian Tripplett that Kat Boyer outreach to the Benton Harbor Public School System to initiate cards for all students.

**ROLL VOTE:**

Mamie Yarbrough – Yes  
Ethel Clark-Griffin – Yes  
Marian Tripplett – Yes  
Dyann Chenault – Yes  
Edward Isom – Yes  
Noreen Szymanski - Yes

**MOTION PASSED**

A **motion** was made by Marian Tripplett and seconded by Ethel Clark-Griffin to approve a request for the COVID-19 Workplace Safety Grant that was submitted August 7, 2020.

**ROLL VOTE:**

Mamie Yarbrough – Yes  
Ethel Clark-Griffin – Yes  
Edward Isom – Yes  
Dyann Chenault – Yes  
Marian Tripplett – Yes  
Noreen Szymanski – Yes

**MOTION PASSED**

**A motion** was made by Dyann Chenault and seconded by Marian Tripplett to apply for the Berrien Community Foundation Emergency Grant.

**ROLL VOTE:**

Mamie Yarbrough – Yes

Dyann Chenault – Yes

Marian Tripplett – Yes

Ethel Clark-Griffin – Yes

Edward Isom – Yes

Noreen Szymanski – Yes

**MOTION PASSED**

**A motion** was made by Dyann Chenault and seconded by Edward Isom that Kat call Foster & Swift to see if they will accept the files, move the files and if accepted, start the bidding.

**ROLL VOTE:**

Edward Isom – Yes

Marian Tripplett – Yes

Ethel Clark-Griffin – Yes

Dyann Chenault – Yes

Mamie Yarbrough – Yes

Noreen Szymanski - Yes

**MOTION PASSED**

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Administrative Secretary Yvette Moore.