# Warren Newport Public Library

## **Board of Trustees**

Regular Meeting

April 16, 2024 7:00 PM

## **McCullough Board Room**

## **AGENDA**

- I. Call to order, roll call and Determination of quorum. {<1}
- II. Pledge of Allegiance. {<1}
- III. Reading of the Mission Statement. {<1}
- IV. Public Comments, Correspondence and Communications. INFORMATION {20}
  - a. Public Comments.

The Board of Trustees allows up to 20 minutes for Public Comment. Individuals may introduce themselves and speak on any library issues, not to exceed 3 minutes. Those who want their remarks to be added to the Board record must provide a copy to the Board Secretary prior to speaking.

- b. Written:
  - i. Memoranda from legal counsel, if any.
  - ii. Other
- V. New business part 1
  - a. Resolution of Appreciation to Mike Barr and Ed Gallagher. ACTION {10}pg. 4

MOTION: TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION OF APPRECIATION TO MIKE BARR AND ED GALLAGHER AS PRESENTED.

- b. Approval of WNPL Report for Compliance with Decennial Committees on Local Government Efficiency. ACTION {10} pg. 6
  MOTION: TO APPROVE THE WNPL REPORT FOR COMPLIANCE WITH DECENNIAL COMMITTEES ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE LAKE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE PURSUANT TO LAW.
- c. Dissolution of Committee on Local Government Efficiency Public Act. ACTION {5}

MOTION: TO DISOLVE THE COMMITTEE ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY PUBLIC ACT.

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- d. Recess for informal acknowledgement of resident committee members. {10}
- VI. Consent agenda (Any trustee may remove items from the consent agenda for separate action by the Board.) ACTION {5}
  - a. Approval of Secretary's reports: Minutes of Regular Meeting March 19, 2024. **pg. 32**
  - b. Reports of Standing Committees: ACTION {5}
    - i. Decennial Committee April 2, 2024 pg. 36
    - ii. Committee of the Whole April 2, 2024:
      - 1. Finance **pg. 37**
      - 2. Building and Grounds **pg. 38**
      - 3. Policy **pg. 39**
      - 4. Summary, Personnel and General pg. 40
  - c. Monthly Financial Statement for February 2024
  - d. Approval of payrolls for March 2024
  - e. Approval of bills payable for February 2024
  - f. Patron Suggestions March 2024 pg. 42
  - g. Approval of Board Policies:
    - i. 3020 Circulation pg. 43
    - ii. 3030 Programming pg. 46
  - h. Approval of Personnel Policy 316 Health Insurance pg. 48
- VII. Item(s) removed from consent agenda, if any. ACTION {5}
- VIII. President's report. INFORMATION {5} pg. 49
  - IX. Reports of other trustees. INFORMATION {5}
  - X. Executive Director's report April 2024. INFORMATION {5} pg. 50
  - XI. Old Business
    - a. Automated Materials Handling System update. INFORMATION {15}
    - b. Mobile Services Presentation. INFORMATION {5}
- XII. New business part 2
  - a. Ordinance 2024/2024-7 Ordinance Amending Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. ACTION {5} pg. 61 MOTION: THAT ORDINANCE 2024/2024-7 BE ADOPTED AS PRESENTED.
  - b. Adoption of Personnel Policy 321 Staff Recognition. ACTION {5} **pg. 63** MOTION: THAT PERSONNEL POLICY 321 STAFF RECOGNITION BE ADOPTED AS PRESENTED.

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- c. Approval the Closing of the Library on May 14, 2024 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. for Staff Development Day Emergency Drills. ACTION {10} MOTION: THAT THE BOARD APPROVE THE CLOSING OF THE LIBRARY ON TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2024 FROM 9 A.M. TO 1 P.M. FOR STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY EMERGENCY DRILLS.
- d. Other potentially actionable items: Agenda items for May 2024 Regular Meeting. INFORMATION {5}
  - i. Financial Statements for May 2024
  - ii. Review of the latest FY 2024-2025 Budget draft and discussion
  - iii. Tentative transfer of funds from Expendable Trust to Endowment Fund
  - iv. 2023-2025 WNPL Strategic Plan update
  - v. Bookmobile update
  - vi. Service model transition for Mobile Services: community survey
  - vii. Board Policies:
    - 1. Maker Space (Adoption of New Policy)
    - 2. 3010 Hours of Operation
  - viii. Personnel Policies
    - 1. 304 Illinois Paid Leave for All Workers Act
    - ix. Other

## XIII. Public forum {15}

The Board of Trustees allows up to 15 minutes for Public Forum. Individuals may introduce themselves and speak on any library issues, not to exceed 3 minutes. Those who want their remarks to be added to the Board record must provide a copy to the Board Secretary prior to speaking.

## XIV. Announcements {5}

- a. By the chair:
  - i. Communications to the public
  - ii. Upcoming calendar:
    - 1. Committee of the Whole Meeting, Tuesday, May 7, 2024, 7:00 p.m.
    - 2. Library Closed May 14, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. for Staff Development.
    - 3. Regular Meeting, Tuesday, May 21, 2024, 7:00 p.m.
- b. By other trustees or the director
- XV. Adjournment. ACTION {<1}

MOTION: THAT THE MEETING BE ADJOURNED.

{Estimated total duration 154 minutes}

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# A Resolution of Appreciation to Mike Barr and Ed Gallagher

for dedicated service to the Warren-Newport Public Library District

WHEREAS, the Local Government Efficiency Act, PA 102-1088, required the Warren-Newport Public Library District to establish a special committee to study WNPL efficiencies and submit a report to Lake County; and

WHEREAS the Warren-Newport Public Library District Board of Trustees established a Local Government Efficiency Act Committee to fulfill the requirements of the Act; and

WHEREAS Mike Barr and Ed Gallagher graciously volunteered their time and expertise to serve on the Local Government Efficiency Act Committee; and

WHEREAS Mike Barr and Ed Gallagher actively participated in the committee's work, demonstrating a commitment to the efficient operation of the Warren-Newport Public Library District and bringing their own experiences of WNPL into the work of the Committee;

WHEREAS Mike Barr and Ed Gallagher discussed and debated ideas with strength, integrity, and a calm demeanor, while also showing respect for the opinions of others;

WHEREAS the committee's successful completion of its study and report is a direct result of the dedication and hard work of Mike Barr and Ed Gallagher;

WHEREAS Mike Barr and Ed Gallagher are not only Decennial Committee members, but are also WNPL patrons who like and appreciate the Library and will always be welcomed as "Friends" of the Warren-Newport Public Library;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES OF THE WARREN-NEWPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT that Mike Barr and Ed Gallagher are hereby commended for their dedication, loyalty, and commitment to the residents of this District and the citizenry of Warren and Newport townships.

The Secretary of the District is hereby authorized and instructed to deliver a certified copies of this resolution to Mike Barr and Ed Gallagher as a permanent record of the appreciation of the Board of Library Trustees of this District for service to the community and this District.

Katherine Arnold
Jo Beckwith
Andrea Farr Capizzi
Celeste Flores
Wendy Hamilton
George Kotsinis
Bonnie Sutton
Ryan Livergood, Executive Director

Dated: April 16, 2024

# Board packet April 16, 2024: WNPLD Decennial Committee on Local Government Efficiency

Friday, April 12, 2024 2:16 PM

Subject	Board packet April 16, 2024: WNPLD Decennial Committee on Local Government Efficiency
From	Ryan Livergood
То	libraryboard; Barr, Mike; Ed Gallagher
Сс	Gina Ornelas; Sandy Beda; Rebekah Raleigh; Amy Blanchard
Sent	Friday, April 12, 2024 2:03 PM
Attachments	Library Report for Compliance Decennial Committee Final.docx

## Good afternoon,

Attached is the (hopefully) final draft of the Decennial Committee Report on Local Government Efficiency. It reflects the changes, additions, and edits discussed at the April 2 meeting. At the start of next Tuesday's meeting, the Board and Staff will express their appreciation to Ed and Mike for their service, followed by the approval of the report, the dissolution of the committee, and a brief recess to celebrate the completion of the report.

Thanks, Ryan

## **Ryan Livergood**

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## LIBRARY REPORT FOR COMPLIANCE WITH DECENNIAL COMMITTEES ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT EFFICIENCY ACT

## **Executive Summary:**

The Decennial Committee work provided the opportunity to review two basic questions: 1) How can the Warren-Newport Public Library District (WNPLD) improve its efficiency? and 2) How can WNPLD improve its accountability to its constituents?

It is the conclusion of this Committee that:

- 1. The WNPLD is an efficient organization that can and will continue to improve its efficiency. Library services include:
  - a. Programs for our youth to engage them in safe, fun, and educational activities.
  - b. Assistance and information to enrich the lives of our patrons.
  - c. Programs for constituents moving into the District to support their transition into the community.
  - d. Providing internet access and technical education to help constituents find, apply, and succeed in new jobs and endeavors.
  - e. Providing benefits to the community that directly increase property values whether every taxpayer uses the library or not.
- 2. As elected officials, the WNPLD Board of Trustees is accountable to the constituency it serves. WNPLD and the Board of Trustees actively work to make the Library governance open by:
  - a. Encouraging attendance at Board Meetings.
  - b. Complying with state and federal regulations.
  - c. Reviewing and acting on community comments and suggestions.
  - d. Postings videos of Board meetings on YouTube.

This report describes WNPLD services, programs, and partnerships. It acknowledges that WNPLD and the WNPLD Board of Trustees are accountable to their constituency and includes recommendations for improving accountability and transparency.

## I. Unit of government submitting this report

Warren-Newport Public Library District 224 N. O'Plaine Road, Gurnee, Illinois, 60031

## II. Information about our Library

- The Warren-Newport Public Library District, founded in Lake County in 1973, serves a population of approximately 66,477 (as of the 2020 Census) within a 55-square mile area that covers all or most of Warren and Newport Townships, including Gurnee, Wadsworth, Park City, Wildwood, Grandwood Park, Old Mill Creek, and portions of Grayslake, Millburn, Lake Villa, Libertyville and Waukegan.
- We have 84 staff members (not including board members).
- Our annual budget for FY 2023/2024 is \$9,566,921. Note: The budget for FY 2023/2024 is abnormally high due to a series of required major capital projects. If it were a typical fiscal year, the budget would be approximately \$7,000,000.
- Our library's equalized assessed valuation (EAV) for 2023 is \$2,200,029,157.
- The library's property tax rate for FY 2023/2024 is .309480.
- Between WNPL's Main Library and the Bookmobile, WNPL was open to the public 3,874 hours in FY 2023/2024.
- WNPL has a physical collection of 170,935 items.

## III. Information about Our Committee

#### Committee Members:

Chair and Secretary, Jo Beckwith President, George Kotsinis Vice President, Celeste Flores Treasurer, Andrea Farr Capizzi Trustee, Katherine Arnold Trustee, Wendy Hamilton Trustee, Bonnie Sutton Executive Director, Ryan Livergood Library Resident, Michael Barr Library Resident, Ed Gallagher

## Dates the Committee Met:

- May 16, 2023
- August 1, 2023
- February 6, 2024
- April 2, 2024

## IV.

<u>Core Programs or Service Offered by our Library</u>
Our Library offers the following core services and programs:

ALL AGES:
1973 Flashback
1973 Flashback 1973 Grab and Go
30th Annual Creative Writing Contest Award Ceremony
50th Birthday Party
Back to School Family Resource Fair
Back-To-School Community Event / Regreso a la escuela evento Being Bilingual Rocks! / ¡Ser bilingüe es genial!
Black History Month Celebration
Celebrate the (Partial) Eclipse!
Chess Club
Coco: Family Movie Night
Community Cafe
Community Stop
Craft Swap
Curriculum Night
Día de los Muertos Display Día de los Muertos Ofrenda Community Assembly
District 56 Maker Faire
Families on the Fairway
Family Campout
Free Comic Book Day
Friends of WNPL Saturday Sale
Fun with Frogs and Friends
Game Night!
Get to Know Hispanic American Heritage
Guess Who Escape Room
Gurnee Days
Halloween Fall Fest
Hispanic Heritage Celebration
Hispanic Heritage Month Celebration
Holiday Lights
Keeping Families Covered
Kindergarten Playdate
Korean Documentary & Lotus Lantern Craft
Lotería - Game Day
National Night Out
Neighborhood Nights
Open House
Parent Orientation
Patient Self Advocacy and Health Literacy

Paw Patrol Party
Spring Break @ The Point
Stitch & Share
Take 'n' Make
Valentines for Vets in the Lobby
Virtual Peeps Diorama Contest
Woodland Kindergarten Sneak Peak

ADULTS:	
10 Tips for Using Microsoft Word	
10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's Presentation	
24-Hour Entertainment: Libby, Hoopla, Kanopy & More	
3rd Annual Resource Fair	
A Cup of Gratitude	
AARP Tax Preparation	
Accelerate Your Job Search	
An Evening with Documentary Historian Gregory S. Cooke	
Banned Book Estimation Jar	
Beyond Cutting the Cable: Streaming Entertainment Options	
Bonfire & Brews	
Book Challenges on the Rise	
Books & Bites	
Broken Hearts & Empty Wallets (Virtual Program on Zoom)	
Calor Eficiente y Asequible Webinar	
Come Write In: NaNoWriMo	
Comic & Zine Workshop	
Community Partner Zoom Cafe	
Computer Tutor Time (Walk-In)	
Derechos de los Inquilinos y Asistencia Jurídica	
Digital Privacy: Protecting Your Data & Yourself	
Doorstep Delivery	
Entertainment on the Road: Kanopy, Hoopla, Libby & More	
Evening Book Discussion	
Experience The Nutcracker at Home	
Fall Centerpiece	
Fall Vision Boards	
Fiction Book Discussion	
Food, Family, and Folktales: A Conversation with Grace Lin	
Funniest Heartwarming Scenes in Christmas Movies	
Gambling Awareness Event	
Genealogy 101	
Getting Started with WNPL Roku Devices	

Google Maps: A Travel Companion
Guía de Servicios Públicos para Inquilinos (Español)
HACES Citizenship Celebration
HACES Citizenship Workshop
HACES Resource Table
Home Energy Savings Workshop with CUB
ILP - Drawing Comics with Jarrett J. Krosoczka
ILP - Inciting Joy: A Conversation with Ross Gay
ILP - Saying Yes to Your Story
ILP - Secrets of the Puzzle Master
ILP - The Weird & Wonderful World with Mary Roach
ILP- Navigate Your Stars: Jesmyn Ward
ILP: A Taste of Love with Maya-Camille Broussard
ILP: Braiding Sweetgrass
ILP: Chills and Thrills with Stephen Graham Jones
ILP: Danny Trejo Talks Tacos, Hollywood, and Redemption
ILP: Surviving the Holidays with Lori Gottlieb
ILP: The Power of Story with Colson Whitehead
ILP: Being Fabulous with Jonathan Van Ness & Kristi Yamaguchi
Intro to Tarot Cards
Introduction to Basic Excel & Excel Tables
Introduction to Basic Excel & Excel Tables (Virtual)
Introduction to Excel Formulas
Introduction to Excel Formulas (Virtual)
Invisible Warriors Screening
Invisible Warriors: An Introduction to the Film
Let's Make an E-Deal: Bargain Hunting Online
Let's Talk About Cancer Risks: Breast, Ovarian, & Cervical
Library After Dark
Mastering the Interview
Medicare 101 Presentation
Mental Health First Aid Training (English)
Mental Health First Aid Training (Español)
Mobile Services Presentation
My CODA Perspective
NAMI Family & Friends and In Our Own Voice Presentation
NAMI Family Support Group
National Library Workers Day
Navigating the News: Finding Information
No Pressure Book Club
Nonfiction Book Discussion
Online Garage & Estate Sales: A Beginner's Guide
Online Safety Awareness: Practices & Pitfalls
Open House

Pa	aper Succulent Take & Makes
Pa	asswords: Pitfalls & Best Practices
R	educing Robocalls & Exploring Cable Options with CUB
R	enter's Guide to Utility Bills (English)
S	ilent Reading Party
S	imple Excel & Excel Tables
S	MILE: Monster Mash
S	MILE: Summer Movie Night
S	MILE: Valentine's Day Celebration
S	ocial Hour: LGBTQ+
S	ocial Hour: New Moms
S	ocial Hour: New Parents
S	tar Wars Trivia
S	tate Employment Workshop & Career Fair
T	enant's Rights and Legal Aid Presentation (English)
T	he Haunted Page
T	he Historical Wizard of Oz
T	he History of Carole King
T	he History of Stevie Wonder
T	homas Place Senior Book Discussion
To	ownship Center Senior Book Discussion
T	ruth In Taxation Law Hearing
T	urkey Take & Make
U	tility Bill Clinic (English & Español)
U	tility Bill Clinic with CUB
V	olunteer Recognition Luncheon
Y	our Best Garage Sale Yet!
Y	our Personal Brand & Resumes

TEENS:	
Ad Libs - Improv Club	
An Evening with Author Zee l	Lacson
Anime Club	
Anime Club in the Library	
Anime Movie in The Vault-To	kyo Godfathers
Anime Trivia	
Beginner Robotics Course-LE	GO Spike Prime
Blackout Poetry Week	
Blind Date with a Book	
Book Club	
BSBS Book Raffle Pull	
Chalk the Walk - Woodland	

	common Application Workshop
	reate Workshop in The Vault
	cricut Crafting Club
	Supcake Decorating Challenge Decorate a Water Bottle
	Oungeons and Dragons
	Oungeons and Dragons Miniature Painting
	Oungeons and Dragons: STAR WARS Edition
	inals Cafe
	riendship Bracelet Hangout (Taylor's Version)
	aming in The Vault
	ids in the Kitchen - In-person event
	earn Embroidery
	EGO Robotics-SPIKE Prime
	oem in Your Pocket Day
	ecord Painting
	etro Gaming in the Library
R	iver Trail Lego Masters
	AT/ACT Practice Exam
S	AT/ACT Results Program
S	esión de la Solicitud Común (Common Application)
S	PHERO Bolt
S	PHERO Bolt-Robotic Ball
T	AG Photo Contest Judging
T	ake and Try
T	een Art Contest
T	een Book Club
T	een Book Club
Т	een Gaming
	een Leadership Council
	een Lock In: Test Your Luck
	een Mental Health and Wellness
	een Photo Contest
	een Study Space
	eenTober Reading Bingo
	enango Embroidery
	he Art of Improv Workshop
	Inwind with the Library
	alentines for Vets in The Vault
	ault Banned Book Guess Pull
	ault Box Pickup
	irtual Anime Club
	irtual Dungeons & Dragons
V	irtual TYNKER for High Schoolers-Programing 302

Virtual Tynker for Teens with WNPL -Python 201
Woodland Middle School - Fleece Hats continued
Woodland Middle School Visit
WTH Freshman Library Visit
WTHS O'Plaine Book Club
Zine Workshop

CHILDREN:
All About Unicorns
American Girl Club
American Girl Club Party
Art & Comic Club
Art Club
Art in the Park
Ask Dill Pickle
Class Visit to the Library
Cookies & Comics
Cricut Card Making for Tweens
Cricut Puppy Boxes
Diary of A Wimpy Kid Book Club
Dino Day in The Point
Earth Day Exploration
Exploring Nature Through Art / Naturaleza a través del arte
Fun with Bigfoot
Gaming in the Point
Girl Scout Robotics Badge Workshop
Hispanic American Heritage Crafts
Ice Cream in the Park
Kids Yoga
Learn About Computer Binary
Lego WeDo 2.0
LEGO® Battle
Manualidades
Minecraft Gaming
Pumpkins in the Park
School Visit to WNPL
Shark Week Program
Spaulding Sphero Indi & Ozobots
Special Needs Storytime
STEAM Ahead
STEAM Ahead: Black History Month
Take 'n' Make

Thank You, Veterans!
Tinker Tech Thursday
Tinker Tech Tuesday-Sphero Bolt
Tiny Tins
Tween Craft Kit
Tween Craft: Fairy Doors
Valentines for Vets in The Point
Welcome Summer!
Woodland Middle School Books & Beyond Club
Woodland Primary Storytime
Back to School Night

3s Please Baby Shark Week FUN! Bunnies and Butterflies Combined Preschool Cuentacuentos
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Combined Preschool Cuentacuentos
Cuentacuentos
Cuentos y cantos
Dual Language Storytime: Spanish & English
Early Literacy Visit
Family Storytime
Flashlight Friday
Fun 1s
Halloween Storytime and Costume Parade
Happy Noon Year Celebration
Kindred Life Visit
Lap Bounce
Music & Movement
Outdoor Storytime
Pajama Story-time
Play and Learn Parachute Play
Preschool Explorers
Preschool Art
Preschool Book Deposit
Preschool Explorers
Preschool Playdough Party
Pretend Play: Baby Prom
Pretend Play: Candy Store
Pretend Play: Carnival
Saturday Family Storytime
Sounds of the Summer Concert

SPHERO Indi
SRP Preview
Stuffed Animal Sleepover
Super Babies
Terrific 2s
Toddler Play Day
Trunk-or-Treat
Tuck Me In Tonight
Valentine Storytime and Heart Art
Wigglers & Wobblers
Woodland PreK Night

## Services:

- Computer Instruction
- Fax/Copy/Scan
- Printing
- Wireless printing
- WiFi access
- Early Learning Services
- School Services
- Doorstep Delivery
- Senior Services
- Community Bookmobile Stops
- Reference services
- Reader's advisory
- Proctoring

## Resources:

- Fiction books
- Nonfiction books
- Large print books
- Spanish language books
- DVDs
- CDs
- Video Games
- Library of Things
- WiFi hotspots
- Magazines
- Newspapers
- Electronic databases
- E-content (including e-books, e-audio books, digital newspapers and magazines, streaming video, and music)

- Book Bundles
- Movie Bundles
- Book Club Kits
- Museum passes
- Assistive devices, such as a trackball mouse, high contrast keyboard, USB port expander/microphone/streaming camera, laptops for inlibrary use

## **Spaces**

- Meeting Rooms
- Study Rooms
- Quiet Reading Room
- The Workshop / Maker Space
- The Vault / Teen Space
- The Point / Youth Space
- Coco's Cove / Pre-K Space
- The Flex / Multi-Use Space
- Bookends / Friends' Library Book Store
- Business Center

Other core services/programs we could possibly provide:

- The library could provide more public art displays.
- The library could consider providing services such as processing passports, license plate stickers or purchasing US Mail stamps.

## V. Awards and Recognitions

Our Library has received the following awards, distinctions, and recognitions:

- 2014 Illinois Library Association Librarian of the Year Award: Steve Bero, Executive Director
- 2017 Illinois Library Association Readers' Advisory Service Award: Debbie Hoffman
- 2020 Library Journal Mover & Shaker: Eddie Kristan
- Standard & Poor's AAA bond rating
- 2023 30 Wonders of the 30th District Senator Johnson
- Senator Adriane Johnson Proclamation Celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Warren-Newport Public Library District, presented on April 15, 2023.
- Congratulations Card from the White House on the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary received on January 2024.

Example of reviews from Google:

"Love the Gurnee library! Great place for the teenagers to study with their teen room. Many resources here including computers and resource help. I personally love coming and checking out books and enjoying a quiet Sunday afternoon."

"I LOVE my library. Great staff. Super helpful."

"This is such a great library! In addition to the great experiences I continue to have as an adult, my kids grew up with this library and are now adults. At every age, there were great books and resources that helped them with schoolwork as well as help build a love of reading and learning. As teens this was a safe space for them to meet with friends and study groups, and they LOVED the special programming for after school. I can't say enough good things about WNPL staff and leadership who have guided the growth of our library over the years. Thank you for all your hard work and kindness while serving our community. It's amazing how many resources you have to offer. Not just books, but CDs, DVDs, magazines and newspapers, video games, electronic books, and even wifi devices people can take home. Our community is fortunate to have such great people and resources available."

"Wonderful library that has it all like Blu-rays, Video Games (Playstation, X-Box & Nintendo), Music Cds, Books on Cds and books for children to adults.

Motorized Scooters available for handicap individuals. Large selection of Manga. New release of movies and books. A number of computers available with internet access and printing capabilitie for library members. Meeting rooms available. Great teen center and small break room with vending machines. Plenty of parking and very convenient book and audio drop off box by front door or back parking lot. You can also buy used books and cds at a great price. Amazing customer help or self check out available. Security guard at front desk."

## Example of reviews from Yelp:

"This library has something for everyone and that makes all the difference. I enjoy how organized they are. They have great programs for kids. Went to two different story times for babies and then one for three year olds. My daycare children were engaged with the different songs and activities the librarians provided.

The library has a wide selection of books, dvds, and cds. They pretty much have everything you are looking for and if not they are always willing to help you find it or do an interlibrary loan. The library has different sections one for little kids,

elementary ages, teens, young adults and adults. Love the distinction between the areas.

The librarians are all friendly and helpful. You could spend a lot of time in there." "From a New resident and new library card holder...I am so impressed with the library. It is beautiful and serene. Staff extremely helpful. I was able to download a book I had been wanting for a month as soon as I got home from library."

Example of feedback from WNPL Patron Suggestions:

"Thanks so much for adding the step stool by the book returns! My toddler has been loving it!"

"I am a vet. I think the Valentines for Vets Display is really nice and thoughtful of the Library. God bless You all."

"Everyone at WNPL is wonderful."

"Thank you for hosting Minecraft in the Point, Lego battle, and game nights and D and D. Our family enjoys them and hope you will host again."

"I haven't been here long, but this library is one of the best part of Gurnee. I love this library!"

## VI. <u>Intergovernmental Agreements</u>

We partner with or have Intergovernmental Agreements with the following other governments:

<b>Entity</b>	Services Offered
Cooperative Computer Services (CCS)	An agreement to provide a shared online catalog to facilitate patron access to 2 million resources by 29 area libraries and growing.
Electronic Content Consortium (ECC)	Aims to achieve economies of scale by jointly negotiating and purchasing electronic content as may be deemed appropriate and authorized by the Member Libraries. The ECC currently manages the Digital Library of Illinois, an OverDrive consortium that provides e-books and e-audiobooks to the member libraries.

Illinois Libraries Presents	Consortium of Illinois libraries that provides virtual program offerings.
Illinois Library Association (ILA)	Provides advocacy support and updates on legislative issues that impact Illinois libraries.
Library Insurance Management and Risk Control Combination (LIMRiCC)	Unemployment compensation group account. Libraries are pooled together as one organization to provide lower costs in the case of unemployment claims.
Reaching Across Illinois Library System (RAILS)	Coordinates delivery of incoming and outgoing materials to libraries throughout Central and Northern Illinois.

Our Library's efficiency has increased through intergovernmental cooperation in the following ways:

- Parking lot project done with assistance from Village, resulting in an estimated savings of \$350,000.
- Savings of approximately \$30,000 a year by sharing integrated library system costs through CCS membership.
- Energy cost savings through Constellation Energy, resulting in an estimated savings of \$75,000.
- Through participation in the Electronic Content Consortium (ECC), we share electronic content (e-books, e-audiobooks) and have greater purchasing power through this collaborative consortium. Due to the exorbitant cost of e-books and e-audiobooks, we estimate our ECC participation saves us over \$10,000 per year.

Through our IGA with Illinois Libraries Presents, we have been able to offer programs at a fraction of what they would cost if we were doing them alone. We estimate that we have saved approximately \$8,000 to date through this collaboration.

## VII. Community Partnerships

Except where otherwise noted, WNPL supports these organizations by providing space and support for programs that serve our community:

SOCIAL SERVICES PARTNERSHIPS	
Organization Name	Population(s) Served
A Safe Place	Education and resources regarding domestic violence and human trafficking.
Alliance for Human Services	Provides networking and collaboration opportunities between nonprofit organizations that provide human and social services in Lake County.
Alzheimer's Association - Illinois Chapter	Complimentary educational/informative presentations on Alzheimer's and Dementia.
American Association of Retired Persons (AARP)	Provides free tax preparation for seniors and low-income adults.
Brushwood Center	Works collaboratively with community partners, artists, health care providers, and scientists to improve health equity and access to nature in Lake County, Illinois, and the Chicago region. Brushwood Center's programs focus on youth, families, Military Veterans, and those facing racial and economic injustices.
Citizens Utility Board (CUB)	Provides free consultation, education, and advice in English and Spanish to adults in Illinois regarding home energy savings, eliminating robocall/phone scams, affordable entertainment options, understanding utility bills, and fighting for fair energy prices through professional advocacy.
Consumer Credit Counseling Service of Northern Illinois	Complimentary financial literacy workshops on topics such as budgeting, homeownership, student loan repayment, financial scams, retirement, banking basics, credit scores, investing, and more. 501(c)3.
Friends of the Library (FOL)	Operates Bookends, a used bookstore located inside the Library, in addition to multiple Saturday book sales during the year. The

	funds raised by these efforts support library programming.
Hispanic American Community Education & Services (HACES)	Not for profit immigration service organization.
Illinois Department of Employment Security (IDES)	Offers resources for finding IL state government jobs, veterans' priority job search, unemployment insurance, and hosts job fairs.
Illinois Department of Human Services	Provides social and human services to Illinois residents in areas such as medical, recovery, food, shelter, and more.
Job Center of Lake County	Provides employment resources such as resume/cover letter writing workshops, personal branding presentations, mock interviews, and more.
Keeping Families Covered	Provides diapers and other basic needs to families. They also provide menstruation supplies.
Lake County Connect	Complimentary internet (ACP) and technology assistance; educational workshops.
National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Lake County	Complimentary mental health support and resources for individuals battling mental illnesses and their families/loved ones. Both in-person and virtual support groups and educational presentations for adults and families.
Providing Advocacy Dignity and Shelter (PADS) of Lake County	Overnight housing resources available to adults and families experiencing homelessness.
Rosalind Franklin University - Community Care Connection	Complimentary health and wellness screenings on topics such as blood pressure, vaccines, cholesterol, osteoporosis, BMI, sports physicals for teens, and more.
Scholarsip Guidance Association (SGA) Youth and Family Services	Mental health services (complimentary) for youth and families.
Social Security Administration	Provides informational and educational presentations that teach adults and seniors about social security benefits and how to make sense of the system.
United Way of Lake County (211)	Support and resources for mental health, housing, financial literacy, food, utilities,

	substance abuse, legal aid, employment, transportation, and citizenship.
Versiti Blood Centers of Illinois	Blood donations (Teens and Adults).
Warren Special Recreation Association (WSRA)	Individuals with various special needs and abilities.
Warren Township Youth and Family Services	Youth and Family Services is committed to programming that supports the emotional and mental health of children, parents and families by providing parent education, afterschool programs and high-quality counseling services.
Zacharias Center	Services to survivors of sexual assault and abuse.

EDUCATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS	
Organization Name	Partnership Details
Beach Park Consolidated School District 3	Not in WNPLD, but staff participates in their Community Back-to-School event in August.
Country Meadows Montessori School	At the beginning of the school year, WNPL's School Liaison calls to update contact info. They receive WNPL's quarterly e-school newsletter and information on updating WNPL library cards. They also get information and bookmarks for the summer reading programs.
Gurnee School District 56 Office	At the beginning of school year, WNPL's School Liaison calls to update contact info. At the end of the school year, WNPL's School Liaison contacts for student enrollment numbers for each school in their district and to provide information and bookmarks for summer reading programs.
Millburn Elementary School	At the beginning of school year, WNPL's School Liaison calls to update contact info. They receive WNPL's quarterly e-school newsletter and information on updating WNPL library cards. They also get information and bookmarks for the summer reading programs. We are invited to their Family Showcase event in March.

Newport Elementary School	At the beginning of school year, WNPL's School Liaison calls to update contact info. They receive WNPL's quarterly e-school newsletter and information on updating WNPL library cards. They also get information and bookmarks for the summer reading programs.
Prairie Trail School	At the beginning of the school year, WNPL's School Liaison calls to update contact info. They receive WNPL's quarterly e-school newsletter and information on updating WNPL library cards. They also get information and bookmarks for the summer reading programs. We are invited to District 56's Maker Faire in March.
River Trail School	At the beginning of the school year, WNPL's School Liaison calls to update contact info. They receive WNPL's quarterly e-school newsletter and information on updating WNPL library cards. They also get information and bookmarks for the summer reading programs. Various teachers request books to be pulled for their classes. Also, classes throughout the school year will walk to WNPL for a field trip. We are invited to District 56's Hispanic Heritage Celebration in September or October.
Special Education District of Lake County (SEDOL)	WNPL occasionally hosts school groups with special needs who wish to visit WNPL.
Spaulding School	At the beginning of the school year, WNPL's School Liaison calls to update contact info. They receive WNPL's quarterly e-school newsletter and information on updating WNPL library cards. They also get information and bookmarks for the summer reading programs. We are invited to their Kindergarten Open House in May.
St. Patrick School	At the beginning of the school year, WNPL's School Liaison calls to update contact info. They receive WNPL's quarterly e-school newsletter and information on updating WNPL library cards. They also get information and bookmarks for the summer reading programs.

Viking Middle School	At the beginning of the school year, WNPL's School Liaison calls to update contact info. They receive WNPL's quarterly e-school newsletter and information on updating WNPL library cards. They also get information and bookmarks for the summer reading programs. We are invited to their Black History Celebration for District 56 in February.
Warren Township High School District Office	At the beginning of the school year, WNPL's School Liaison calls to update contact info. At the end of the school year, WNPL's School Liaison contacts for student enrollment numbers for each school in their district.
Warren Township High School	At the beginning of the school year, WNPL's School Liaison calls to update contact info. They receive our quarterly e-school newsletter and annual communication regarding updating WNPL library cards.
Woodland Elementary East and West	At the beginning of the school year, WNPL's School Liaison calls to update contact info. They receive WNPL's quarterly e-school newsletter and information on updating WNPL library cards. They also get information and bookmarks for the summer reading programs. We are invited to Woodland Elementary STEM Night in April.
Woodland Intermediate East and West	At the beginning of the school year, WNPL's School Liaison calls to update contact info. They receive WNPL's quarterly e-school newsletter and information on updating WNPL library cards. They also get information and bookmarks for the summer reading programs. Various teachers request books to be pulled for their classes.
Woodland Middle School	At the beginning of the school year, WNPL's School Liaison calls to update contact info. At the end of the school year, WNPL's School Liaison contacts them for student enrollment numbers for each school in their district. They also get information and bookmarks for the summer reading programs.

Woodland Primary School	At the beginning of the school year, WNPL's School Liaison calls to update contact info. At the end of the school year, WNPL's School Liaison contacts them for student enrollment numbers for each school in their district. They also get information and bookmarks for the summer reading programs. We are invited to Kindergarten Sneak Peek in May.
Woodland School District Office	At the beginning of the school year, WNPL's School Liaison calls to update contact info. At the end of the school year, WNPL's School Liaison contacts them for student enrollment numbers for each school in their district. They also get information and bookmarks for the summer reading programs.
Bethel Lutheran Church Preschool	Early Literacy Visits each month.
Champions/KEEP BKM Deposit	Early Literacy Visits each month.
Country Meadows Montessori Preschool	Early Literacy Visits each month.
Gurnee Christian Preschool	Early Literacy Visits each month.
Kiddie Academy	Early Literacy Visits each month.
KinderCare, Brookhaven	Early Literacy Visits each month.
KinderCare, Gurnee Mills	Early Literacy Visits each month.
Red Apple Academy	Early Literacy Visits each month.
Saint Patrick Preschool	Early Literacy Visits each month.
Spaulding Elementary School PreK	Early Literacy Visits each month.
The Learning Experience	Early Literacy Visits each month.
Tiny Treasures Christian Preschool	Early Literacy Visits each month.
Wildwood Park District	Early Literacy Visits each month.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL PARTNERSHIPS	
Organization Name	Population(s) Served/Partnership Details
College of Lake County	Military-Affiliated Student Programs Students/Parents/Kids through Children's Learning Centers and Early Childhood
County and State Elected Officials	Partnerships with numerous county and state elected officials provides resources and programming to various groups within the library district.
Gurnee Park District	Partnership provides resources/programming to various groups of people that utilize the Gurnee Park District
Gurnee Police Department	All residents of Gurnee
Village of Gurnee	All residents of Gurnee
Warren Township Youth and Family Services	Youth and Family Services is committed to programming that supports the emotional and mental health of children, parents, and families. We provide parent education, afterschool programs and high-quality counseling services.
Wildwood Park District	Partnership provides resources/programming to various groups of people that utilize the Wildwood Park District
Warren Special Recreation Association (WSRA)	Individuals with developmental disabilities and other special needs

# VIII. Review of Laws, Policies, Rules and Procedures, Training Materials and other Documents

We have reviewed the following, non-exhaustive list of laws, policies, training materials, and other documents applicable to the Library in order to evaluate our compliance and to determine if any of the foregoing should be amended.

All library policies are reviewed by Administration and the Board of Trustees at least once every three years. Procedures are reviewed by staff on an as needed basis to provide greater efficiency. Training materials are produced and refined consistently.

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- Illinois Open Meetings Act (5 ILCS 120/1 et seq.)
- Designation of OMA officer (5 ILCS 120/1.05(a))
- All Board Members have completed OMA Training (5 ILCS 120/1.05(b))
- Illinois Freedom of Information Act (5 ILCS 120/1.05(b))
- Designation of FOIA officer (5 ILCS 140/3.5(a))
- FOIA Officer Training (5 ILCS 140/3.5(b))
- Computation and Retention of FOIA request (5 ILCS 140/3.5(a))
- List of <u>Types</u> or Categories of FOIA Records under Library Control (5 ILCS 140/5)
  - Monthly Financial Statements
  - Annual Receipts and Disbursements Reports
  - Budget and Appropriation Ordinances
  - Levy Ordinances
  - Operation Budgets
  - Annual Audits
  - Minutes of the Board of Library Trustees Meetings
  - Annual Reports to the Illinois State Library
  - Posting Other Required FOIA Information (5 ILCS 140/4(a); 5 ILCS 140/4(b)).
  - Biannual Meeting to Review Closed Meeting Minutes (5 ILCS 120/2.06(d)).
  - IMRF Total Compensation Postings (5 ILCS 120/7.3)
  - Designation of Whistleblower Auditing Official (50 ILCS 105/4.1 et seq.)
  - All applicable officials including Trustees have filed statement of economic interests (5 ILCS 420/4A-101; 5ILCS 420/4A-101.5 et seq.)
  - Sexual harassment prevention training (75 ILCS 5/2-109(C)).
  - Our Intergovernmental Agreements
  - State Ethics Laws, including, but not limited to the State Officials and Employees Ethics Act (5 ILCS 420/1-1 et seq.)
  - State Laws applicable to Libraries
  - Schedule of Regular and Committee of the Whole Meetings of the Library Board (5 ILCS 120/2.03).
  - Board of Trustees membership in American Library Association (ALA), Illinois Library Association (ILA) and United for Libraries
  - Board and Personnel Policies are systematically reviewed.

## IX. What Have We Done Well?

- WNPL's tax rate is the 5<sup>th</sup> lowest among the 15 Lake County library districts.
- Saved WNPL \$574,326 by refinancing debt from 2013 building renovation.
- Creation of The Point space in the library in 2016, an area dedicated for students in first through fifth grades.
- Turning our computer lab into The Flex in 2019, a new space in the library adaptable to various programs and needs, such as a computer lab, maker space, and STEAM programming area, among other uses. This project was funded exclusively through private gifts.
- Renovation of our Quiet Room in July of 2023, funded exclusively through private gifts and grant funding.
- Enhanced the building since the 2013 renovation through replacing all lighting with LED lighting, improved landscaping at the entrance to the library, repaying the parking lot, etc.
- The Board of Trustees carried out extensive data gathering exercises to inform a long-term strategic plan.
- Library staff are pursuing the goals identified in the strategic plan. Staff and board review these goals and tactics consistently and complete activities aligned with them.
- Commissioned a Capital Improvement Plan to assist in budgeting for end-of-life capital expenses.
- Annual review of a ten-year capital plan, including both facilities and technology expenditures.
- Our 57,300 sq. foot building is well maintained with a major building update including the expansion of our meeting room space completed in 2013.
- Recent major HVAC project completed on time and under budget.
- The library is increasing marketing efforts to inform patrons about services, including increased marketing in Spanish to reach our growing Spanish-speaking population.
- Hired Spanish speakers in every public services department.
- ebook, e-audiobook, and streaming services offered by the library are gaining in popularity with usage of over 132,000 in FY 2023/2023.
- Total library circulation statistics are strong with a check out number of nearly 500,000 items per fiscal year.
- Program and event attendance averaging about 1,600 per month with expected growth due to an expansion of our Mobile Services' offerings.
- Our Summer Reading Program has averaged 580 participants, 15,000 books completed, and 1.1 million minutes read over the past two years.

- Creation of three new annual events in 2022: Black History Month celebration, Back to School event with local partners, and Hispanic Heritage Month celebration.
- Study and meeting rooms are heavily utilized by the community.
- The library has been compliant with all FOIA requests.

## X. What Inefficiencies Did We Identify/What Are our Next Steps?

- The library contracts out for various services that current community partners such as the school districts, villages, park district, township, etc. have available. For instance, the library contracts out for landscaping services, snow plowing services, window washing services, etc. Perhaps an agreement could be established to have those services provided by partners allowing library funds to be allocated elsewhere.
- The library currently works with a brokerage firm to procure insurance. It could be beneficial to explore group purchasing options to provide savings.
- The library operates a large bookmobile that will be at its end of life in 2025. The bookmobile replacement could be smaller, which would allow us to offer more flexible service and could save on operating costs.
- Now that WNPL has joined CCS, we should partner more with neighboring local libraries, especially in areas along our shared borders, to maximize our combined resources and do a better job of serving our patrons not centrally located near the library.
- Make sure our building is optimized for community usage by hiring a consultant to do a long-range space planning study. This will also help us strategically budget for future building improvements.

## XI. What Can We Do Better or More Efficiently?

- Utilize partners to provide more programs and Mobile Services to our community.
- Redesign our website to make it easier for the community to utilize.
- Formalize our Strategic Marketing Plan, including an evaluation of current communication and marketing methods (newsletter, email blasts, social media, partnership communications and word-of-mouth opportunities, etc.) to plan for and envision the most effective and efficient methods to reach targeted audiences (Spanish-speaking community, seniors, etc.)
- Create a task force (or bring in a consultant) to evaluate signage throughout the Library.

- Do a more effective job of providing library services and materials throughout the community to under-resourced areas through community stops, early literacy visits, and other initiatives.
- Evaluate ways to eliminate barriers to Library card access by utilizing the Public Services task force to pinpoint which policies need change to increase card access.
- Enhance our study rooms by adding technology such as smart screens and door access panels.
- The lifespan of the library's roof still has several more years. When the roof needs to be replaced, it would be worth exploring the possible addition of rooftop solar paneling to alleviate electricity costs.

#### XII. Studies on Governmental Efficiencies

These studies show that the average local government in Illinois serves 1,800 residents compared to the national median of 2,850 individuals.

- <u>Local Government Efficiency and Size in Illinois: Counting Tax</u> Revenues Not Governments by Wendell Cox.
- Local Governments in Illinois: How Many is Too Many? By Alden Loury.

# XIII. Our Committee's Recommendations Regarding Increased Accountability and Efficiency:

The Committee was impressed with the number of partnerships and agreements with government agencies and other organizations within the community. In particular, there are a number of instances where collaborations with other organizations have maximized taxpayer dollars. The Committee did identify some government agencies and community organizations where there is potential for WNPL to do more with, including some municipalities served by WNPL, in addition to Newport Township.

Overall, the Committee recommends the following:

- WNPL should continue to develop and create future partnerships to increase efficiencies and maximize taxpayer dollars while also providing needed services to the community.
- WNPL should advocate for legislation in Springfield that will eliminate unfunded mandates for local governments that reduce efficiencies.
- WNPL should conduct an annual survey of community partners to assess how we can serve them better, how together we can maximize taxpayer dollars, and how we might be able to improve efficiencies.

-	must be filed with the county (or counties no later than 18 first committee meeting.
Submitted by:	Jo Beckwith Chair, Decennial Efficiency Committee
Date of Committe	e Approval of Report:

To enrich, empower, and enlighten the people of the Warren-Newport Public Library District. — Mission statement approved by the Board of Trustees, July 18, 2023.

## Warren-Newport Public Library District Lake County, Illinois Board of Trustees

George Kotsinis, President Celeste Flores, Vice President Jo Beckwith, Secretary Andrea Farr Capizzi, Treasurer Katherine Arnold Wendy Hamilton Bonnie Sutton

Regular Board Meeting Tuesday, March 19, 2024 McCullough Board Room

## Call to Order, Roll Call, and Determination of Quorum

President Kotsinis called the Meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Trustees present: Arnold, Beckwith, Flores, Kotsinis, Hamilton and Sutton.

Trustees absent: Farr Capizzi.

Also present: Executive Director Ryan Livergood, Recording Secretary Celia Ornelas, Rebekah Raleigh and Smruti Savarkar.

## Pledge of Allegiance

President Kotsinis led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### **Reading of Mission Statement**

President Kotsinis read the Mission Statement aloud.

Treasurer Farr Capizzi arrived at 7:01 p.m.

## Public Comments, Correspondence and Communications. None.

#### Consent Agenda

- a. Monthly Financial Statements for January 2024
- b. Approval of payrolls for February 2024
- c. Approval of bills payable for January 2024
- d. Patron Suggestions February 2024
- e. Approval of Board Policies:
  - i. 1030 Board and Executive Director Responsibilities
  - ii. 4040 Identity Protection

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- f. Approval of Personnel Policies:
  - i. 306 Worker's Compensation Insurance
  - ii. 307 Sick Leave Benefits

Secretary Beckwith moved and Trustee Arnold seconded that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented.

The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

## President's Report

President Kotsinis presented a written report in the packet.

## **Reports of Other Trustees**

Treasurer Farr Capizzi communicated that she and her son had the opportunity to tour the Milwaukee Public Library.

Truste Flores shared that the Waukegan Public Library will have a Library After Hours: 125th Birthday Celebration Fundraiser on April 10, 2024.

## **Executive Director's Report March 2024**

Executive Director Livergood presented a written report in the packet.

#### Old Business

a. Automated Materials Handling System contract award Executive Director Livergood gave an oral update.

President Kotsinis moved and Secretary Beckwith seconded that the Board awards the Automated Materials Handling System Contract to Lyngsoe Systems as presented.

The motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Farr Capizzi, Sutton, Hamilton, Flores, Beckwith, Arnold, Kotsinis

b. Staff Recognition Program Rollout Executive Director Livergood presented a written report in the packet.

#### **New Business**

a. Approval of Secretary's reports: Minutes of Regular Meeting February 20, 2024, be approved as presented.

Treasurer Farr Capizzi moved and Trustee Arnold seconded that the Secretary's report: Minutes of Regular Meeting February 20, 2024, be approved as presented.

The motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Beckwith, Arnold, Hamilton, Farr Capizzi, Kotsinis

Abstain: Sutton, Flores

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- b. Reports of Standing Committees. Committee of the Whole March 5, 2024:
  - i. Finance. Report presented at the meeting.
  - ii. Building and Grounds
  - iii. Policy
  - iv. Summary, Personnel and General

Trustee Hamilton moved and Secretary Beckwith seconded that the Reports of Committee of the Whole March 5, 2024, be approved as presented.

The motion carried on a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Farr Capizzi, Arnold, Beckwith, Hamilton, Kotsinis

Abstain: Sutton, Flores

- c. Executive Director review evaluation and goals

  Executive Director Livergood presented a written report in the packet.
- d. Other potentially actionable items: Agenda items for April 2024 Regular Meeting.
  - i. Decennial Committee report
  - ii. Financial Statements for February 2024
  - iii. Initial presentation of budget draft
  - iv. Board quarterly self-evaluation and goals
  - v. 2023-2025 WNPL Strategic Plan update
  - vi. Bookmobile update
  - vii. Window signage update
- viii. Service model transition for Mobile Services update
- ix. Board Policies
  - 1. 3020 Circulation
  - 2. 3030 Programming
- x. Personnel Policies
  - 1. 316 Health Insurance
  - 2. 317 Life Insurance
  - 3. 319 Disability Benefits Plans
  - 4. Policy Staff Recognition

#### Public Forum. None.

#### **Announcements**

- a. By the Chair:
  - i. Upcoming calendar
    - 1. Library Closed Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024
    - 2. Decennial Committee, Tuesday, April 2, 2024, 7:00 p.m.
    - 3. Committee of the Whole Meeting: Tuesday, April 2, 2024, 7:00 p.m.
    - 4. Next Regular Meeting: Tuesday, April 16, 2024, 7:00 p.m.

Adjournment
Secretary Beckwith moved and Trustee Sutton seconded that the meeting be adjourned.
The motion carried on a voice vote.
President Kotsinis adjourned the meeting at 7:50 p.m.
Jo Beckwith, Secretary
Approved:

Celia G. Ornelas, Recording Secretary

## Warren-Newport Public Library District Board of Trustees Special Committee Report

Committee Name: WNPL Decennial Committee on Local Government Efficiency

Date and Location: Committee of the Whole, April 2, 2024, McCullough Board Room

Members Attending: Katherine Arnold, Mike Barr, Jo Beckwith, Chair, Andrea Farr Capizzi, Celeste Flores, Ed

Gallagher, Wendy Hamilton, George Kotsinis, Ryan Livergood, Bonnie Sutton

Also present: Gina Ornelas, Rebekah Raleigh, Scott Krinninger, and Jenny Haydysch.

President Kotsinis called the Committee of the Whole meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Residents in attendance: None.

Overall Summary: Background information. What was discussed? What are the next steps?

The Board proofread and edited the Decennial Report.

Decennial Committee adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

#### Tasks Pending (if any) Who – What – When:

Staff will add more items to a few of the lists in the report. Chair Beckwith will send those edits to committee members for review. The final document will be on the April Regular Meeting agenda for approval.

Jo Beckwith, Chair April 2, 2024

# Warren-Newport Public Library District Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole Report

**Committee Work:** Finance

Date and time: April 2, 2024

**Attendees:** George Kotsinis, Celeste Flores, Jo Beckwith, Andrea Farr Capizzi, Bonnie Sutton, Katherine Arnold, Wendy Hamilton, Ryan Livergood, Rebecca Raleigh, Gina Ornelas

Summary: What was discussed, reported on, accomplished? Was there consensus on a decision?

- Financial statements for the period ended February 29, 2024, were discussed, and are recommended for approval at the April 2024 board meeting.
- Update on library staff's investigation of changing banks for potential savings on fees is ongoing. We should receive information at the next Committee of the Whole meeting.
- Regarding the FYE 2024/2025 budget, the current draft of the budget is showing a surplus but work still needs to be done. We are on target for completing the budget to be approved at the June board meeting.

# Recommendation(s) for Board Action (if any):

Move that the Board approve the February 2024, financial statements as presented.

# Agenda item(s) for next Committee of the Whole:

- Review of monthly financial statements
- Update on bank RFPs
- 2024/2025 budget.

Respectfully submitted: Andrea Farr Capizzi / April 3, 2024

# Warren-Newport Public Library District Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole Report

Committee Work: Buildings & Grounds
<b>Date:</b> April 2, 2024
Summary: What was discussed, reported on, accomplished? Was there consensus on a decision?
Automated Materials Handling System:
Ryan reported that there will be a pre-planning meeting next Tuesday, April 9, 2024
Maker Space:
Ryan reported that the plumbing is completed and the counter top installation is currently finishing up.
Window Signage:
Ryan reported that the outdoor window washing will be completed soon, as weather permits, and then the signage will be applied to the windows.
Recommendation(s) for Board Action (if any), consent agenda or new business?
Tasks Pending (if any) Who – What – When: Who's doing the task? What is it? What's the deadline?
Ryan will update the Board regarding all three issues at our next Board meeting.
Agenda item(s) for next Committee of the Whole:
Submitted by/date:
Bonnie Sutton, Trustee April 2, 2024

# Warren-Newport Public Library District Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole Report

**Committee Work: Policy** 

**Date:** Tuesday, April 02, 2024

Summary: What was discussed, reported on, accomplished? Was there consensus on a decision?

**3020,** Circulation – discussed general edits, updates to capture Library of Things, increased circulation limits from 50 items to 100, consensus

3030, Programming – discussed general edits, reviewed Executive Director addition to article 4, consensus

# Recommendation(s) for Board Action (if any), consent agenda or new business?

**3020,** Circulation – consent agenda **3030,** Programming – consent agenda

Tasks Pending (if any) Who – What – When: Who's doing the task? What is it? What's the deadline?

None

# Agenda item(s) for next Committee of the Whole:

2001, Budget and Finance2005, Investment of Public Funds

# Submitted by/date:

Katherine Arnold, Policy Chair April 05, 2024

# Warren-Newport Public Library District Board of Trustees Committee of the Whole Report Summary, Personnel, and General

**Date, and Location:** April 2, 2024, McCullough Board Room

Members Attending: Jo Beckwith, Bonnie Sutton, Celeste Flores, George Kotsinis, Wendy Hamilton, Andrea

Farr Capizzi, Katherine Arnold, Ryan Livergood

Members Absent: None

Also Attending:

Gina Ornelas, Rebekah Raleigh, Michael Barr, Ed Galagher, Scott Krinninger, Jenny

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#### **Overall Summary:**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

The Committee of the Whole started with the Decennial Committee on Local Government Efficiency, then discussed the Service Model Transition for Mobile Services from the General Topics before continuing with Finance, Buildings and Grounds, Policy, Personnel, and General Committee areas.

Committee of the Whole included: Decennial Committee on Local Government Efficiency, Finance, Buildings and Grounds, Policy, Personnel, and General topics. Reports of each area follow. Trustee Beckwith moved, and Trustee Sutton seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried on a voice vote. Committee of the Whole adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

**Personnel Topics:** What was discussed, reported on, accomplished? Was there consensus on a decision?

#### 316 Health Insurance

The Board discussed the proposed changes to Policy 316. Minor editorial changes were discussed. Consent

# Staff Recognition Program (Policy Number TBD)

The Board discussed the proposed changes to the Policy. Discussion focused on whether to require staff to select either cash or time off awards or to award both cash and time off for each milestone anniversary. The Board favored awarding both a time off award and a cash bonus. Other editorial changes were also discussed.

New Business

**General Topics:** What was discussed, reported on, accomplished? Was there consensus on a decision?

# Service Model Transition for Mobile Services

The Board reviewed materials presented by Jenny and Scott and provided feedback. A public presentation will be scheduled for Monday, May 13 at 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

#### **Board Self Evaluation Goals**

The Board reviewed progress to date on current year goals. Ready Set Advocate Part 2 will be covered in May during May Committee of the Whole meeting.

# Statement of Economic Interest Reminder

Ryan reminded the Board to complete the SEI disclosure.

#### **Executive Session Minutes Update**

Ryan and Jo provided the Board with an updated status. Eight of the Fifteen missing documents have been found.

There is a plan which has been vetted by Ryan with our Board Attorney and the relevant state authority to document any remaining missing documents.

# Recommendation(s) for Board Action (if any), consent agenda or new business?

Approval of February Financial Statements

Tasks Pending (if any) Who – What – When: Who's doing the task? What is it? What's the deadline?

Personnel and General Agenda item(s) for next Committee of the Whole:

TBD

George Kotsinis, President Date April 11, 2024

# Warren-Newport Public Library District Gurnee, Illinois

# Suggestions & Questions from Our Library Users

March 2024

#### Service-related comments

1. Please bring back "Lunch & Learn". That was a great program. Very informative.

Thank you for your suggestion. Library staff will consider this as future programming is planned.

# Miscellaneous-related comments

1. WNPL is the one of my most favorite libraries of Illinois. You guys are just so nice around here since 2003.

Thank you so much for letting us know that WNPL is one of your favorite libraries!

Thank you for taking the time to help us improve our service to you. If suggested a title for purchase, we have passed it along to staff members who order materials.

Ryan Livergood, Executive Director

Patron comments appear here unabridged and unedited.

# Warren-Newport Public Library District

Lake County, Illinois

# **Board of Trustees**

# Policy 3020

# Circulation

Adopted: December 8, 1981

Reviewed/Revised: February 11, 1992; April 13, 1993; August 9, 1994; December 8, 1996;

February 10, 1998; March 14, 2000; April 10, 2001; March 14, 2006; June 1, 2006; April 21, 2009; March 16, 2010; March 20, 2012; April 17, 2012; September 18, 2012; November 20, 2012; February 19,2013; February 18, 2014; June 17, 2014; August 16, 2016; February 20, 2018; July 21, 2020; June 21, 2022; August 16,

2022; July 18, 2023; November 21, 2023; April 16, 2024

# ARTICLE 1. LOAN PERIODS

# Seven (7) Day Materials

Seven-Day WiFi Hotspots

# Twenty-one (21) Day Materials

All other print and AV materials, including magazines and video games All other WiFi Hotspots Library of Things collection

# Forty-two (42) Day Materials

**Book Club Kits** 

# **Library of Things**

Equipment is used at the sole risk of the borrower. The Library makes no representation or warranty as to the items' fitness for use or condition. Borrowers are responsible for reading and abiding by all manufacturers' recommendations, warnings, and instructions for use.

Equipment must be returned to the Circulation desk only. Items must be returned intact, clean, in working order, and complete (including all accessories, parts, manuals, and packaging provided when borrowed.) As with all library materials, borrowers are responsible for the care of the item and any supplemental materials. If any of the Library's property is lost or damaged, borrowers agree to provide the cost of a repair or replacement.

This is a lending program only. Library staff are not available for instruction in using Library of Things materials. Detailed instructions are provided for each item.

The Library reserves the right to take equipment out of circulation temporarily to support a library program or for repair or maintenance.

The Library may limit the number of repeat loans of a specific item to one household in the interest of ensuring fair access for all library patrons.

# ARTICLE 2. RENEWAL OF MATERIALS

Items checked out will automatically be renewed three (3) days before the due date for up to three (3) renewal periods. The renewal happens automatically and there is no action patrons need to take.

Items cannot be automatically renewed if:

- the item is on hold for another patron;
- the three (3) renewal limit has been reached;
- the patron account is blocked: or
- the item is non-renewable.

The following items are non-renewable: Hot Picks, , Library of Things, Seven (7) Day WiFi Hotspots, Book Club Kits, and any items marked with a HOT sticker.

# ARTICLE 3. <u>CIRCULATION LIMITS</u>

Maximum total number of items that may be checked out on a card is one-hundred (100).

Circulation limits by format:

WiFi Hotspots One (1) Rokus One (1)

Reference collections are for in-library use only and may not be checked out. Policy 3025 Interlibrary Loan explains the borrowing limitations for interlibrary loan material.

#### ARTICLE 4. RESERVING MATERIALS

# Section 4.01 Reserves and Notifications

When an eligible item in the circulating collection of WNPLD is not immediately available to check out, a patron may reserve the item. When the reserved item is available for the patron who has placed the reserve, the Library will notify the patron.

#### Section 4.02 Hold Period for Reserve Material

Upon notification, the reserved material will be held for the patron for a period of seven (7) days. If the patron does not pick up the material within seven (7) days, the reserve will be cancelled, and the material will be placed back into general circulation. If another patron is waiting for the material, the next patron on the list will be notified that the item is available.

# Section 4.03 Residency

Any Illinois public library cardholder in good standing can reserve materials. Warren-Newport Public Library (WNPL) cardholders have priority of WNPL materials over other cardholders.

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# **Section 4.04 Non-reservable Materials**

Hot Picks books, , Library of Things, Seven (7) Day WiFi Hotspots, and items marked with a HOT sticker may not be reserved.

# Section 4.05 Mobile Services Collection

The Mobile Services collection is non-reservable.

# Warren-Newport Public Library District

Lake County, Illinois

# **Board of Trustees**

# Policy 3030

# **Programming**

Adopted: May 14, 2002

Reviewed/Revised: January 5, 2009; April 20, 2010; July 16, 2013; September 17, 2013;

September 20, 2016; March 19, 2019; April 16, 2024

# ARTICLE 1. PHILOSOPHY

The Warren-Newport Public Library District (WNPLD) provides informational, educational, and cultural programming for all ages. Programs should meet the mission and goals of WNPLD and encourage use of library resources.

# ARTICLE 2. PROGRAM AUDIENCE

Programs are available to all members of the community. Some programs are developed for specific age or developmental levels; patrons may be restricted from attending an activity that is below or above their abilities and/or age group. Any age or audience restrictions for a particular program will be published in advance.

# ARTICLE 3. PROGRAM SPONSORSHIP

WNPLD participates in cooperative programs with other governmental agencies, with educational and community institutions, with businesses, and with individuals when the program meets the needs of Warren-Newport Public Library (WNPL) patrons. Co-sponsorship of programs is at the discretion of WNPLD.

# ARTICLE 4. PROGRAM TOPICS AND PRESENTERS

WNPLD has sole discretion in determining topics and presenters for library programs. While Library staff, including Department Heads, professional, and paraprofessional staff, are responsible for selecting, planning, and coordinating programs, the Executive Director ultimately will have final approval over whether or not a program will be sponsored by WNPLD. WNPLD sponsorship of a program does not constitute an endorsement of the program content or the views expressed by presenters. Presenters may not actively solicit business before, during, or following a program but may have business cards and/or brochures available at the rear of the room for attendees to pick up. If a presenter would like to offer books or other materials for purchase, arrangements must be made in advance with Library staff.

In planning programs, staff will consider all of the following:

- WNPLD's strategic plan and mission;
- the needs of the community;
- · appropriateness of content for the audience;
- · availability of other programs in the community; and
- limitations of space, time, budget, and staff.

For each program, data that includes cost, content, staffing requirements, attendance statistics, and participant evaluations should be gathered to determine the impact of the program, to help in preparing budgets, and to aid in planning future programming.

# ARTICLE 5. PROGRAM REGISTRATION AND FEES

Although most programs are open to the general public, registration for attendance at some programs may be restricted to WNPLD cardholders. For some programs, the number of persons attending may be restricted due to space considerations, staff availability, or program content.

Many programs require advance registration. Any person registering for a program will be requested to provide a telephone number and/or email address at which WNPL staff can contact them in the event of a program cancellation or schedule change. Registration lists and sign-in sheets are kept in strict confidence.

While WNPLD strives to offer a variety of free high-quality programs, it may charge a fee to cover materials, food, transportation, or other expenses.

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# Warren-Newport Public Library District Staff Manual

# 316 Health Insurance

Effective Date: 07/12/2006

Review/Revision Date: 09/17/2018; 4/16/2024

The Warren-Newport Public Library District's (WNPLD) health insurance plan provides employees and their dependents access to medical, dental, and vision care insurance benefits. Employees in the following employment classifications are eligible to participate in the health insurance plan:

- Regular full-time employees
- Regular part-time employees who work an average of at least 30 hours per week for more than 120 days

Eligible employees may participate in the health insurance plan subject to all terms and conditions of the agreement between WNPLD and the insurance carrier.

A change in employment classification that would result in loss of eligibility to participate in the health insurance plan may qualify an employee for benefits continuation under the Consolidated Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act (COBRA). Refer to the Benefits Continuation (COBRA) Policy for more information.

Details of the health insurance plan are described in the Summary Plan Description (SPD). An SPD and information on cost of coverage will be provided in advance of enrollment to eligible employees. Contact the Human Resources Manager for more information about health insurance benefits.

# President's Report, April 2024

March 19 1 Hour March Regular Board Meeting

March 26 30 Minutes Personnel Policy Work

Met with Ryan to plan April CoW Meeting

April 2 2 hours

**April CoW Meeting** 

April 9 30 Minutes

Review Agenda for April board meeting

April 11 1 Hour Personnel Policy Work, Complete President's Report, Complete

Committee Report for April CoW meeting

George Kotsinis, President WNPLD Board of Trustees 4/11/2024

# Warren-Newport Public Library District EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT FOR MARCH 2024 April 16, 2024

# Submitted by Executive Director, Ryan Livergood

# **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

# Highlights:

- The Board selected the proposal from Lyngsoe Systems for a new Automated Materials Handling System. It will be installed sometime in the fall.
- Char Vice retired after 28 years of service to the Warren-Newport Public Library District. Her colleagues hosted a wonderful retirement party for her in the sorter room.

# Meetings, programs, training attended:

- Electronic Content Consortium annual meeting (3/7).
- Bibliocommons discovery layer demonstration (3/19).
- Library director roundtable (3/26).

# *Special plans for coming month:*

- Boiler retubing RFP.
- Security surveillance system RFP.
- Decennial report.
- Staff recognition program rollout.

# *Special plans for the near future:*

- Library space audit.
- Strategic marketing plan.
- FY 2024-2025 final budget.

# **ADMINISTRATION**

**Friends:** The Friends did not meet in March. Their next Saturday Book Sale is on May 4. Their next meeting will be on May 23.

# **Fundraising:**

Fundraising throu		
	March	Year to Date
Annual Fund	\$ 300.00	\$20,034.07
Gifts	0.00	20,020.50
Total	\$ 300.00	\$40,054.57

#### **Personnel:**

Status of Organization: March Number of full-time employees: 39 Number of part-time employees: 46 TOTAL number of employees: 85

#### New hires:

- 3/4 S. Bratzke Circulation Support Clerk in Circulation Services, PT 16 weekly hours
- 3/5 L. Andal Circulation Support Clerk in Circulation Services, PT 16 weekly hours
- 3/19 E. Arcos Circulation Support Clerk in Circulation Services, PT 16 weekly hours

# Separations:

- 3/2 K. Quiñonez FT Programming Specialist in Youth Services
- 3/29 C. Vice FT Shelving Supervisor in Circulation Services

# Changes:

- 3/11 J. Laird moved from 24.5 hours weekly to 14 hours weekly in Adult Services
- 3/11 A. Kessler moved from 10 hours weekly to 15 hours weekly in Adult Services
- 3/25 N. Gatica Diaz moved from 10 hours weekly to 22 hours weekly in Adult Services

Workshops, programs, and training attended: 40.5 staff hours of continuing education.

# **Safety and Security Statistics:**

• Patron Assists: 141

• Staff Assists: 0

• Behavioral Contacts: 42

Unattended Children: 0

• Book Donations: 62

• Room Set-Ups: 0

• Gurnee Police & Fire Assists: 0

• Suspended Patrons: 0

• Patrons asked to leave EOD: 3

# ADULT SERVICES

- The Workshop Makerspace is coming along nicely. Cat and Becky had visited the makers spaces at Palatine, Arlington Heights, and Prospect Heights to find out more about best practices for procedures and policies.
- Emily went with Mobile Services to an event at Park City which enabled her to network with potential partners.
- All appointments are filled for AARP tax prep.
- Staff have signed up for 1Password and viewed a video training, Staff who requested them have received their Yubikeys.

# **CIRCULATION**

- Visited Lake Villa, and Greenfield, WI libraries for AMH research.
- AMH group decided which sorter to fit our needs.
- New Circulation Support Clerks started training.

- First round of budget completed.
- Give-a-way for IA survey.
- Char's retirement celebration
- Two-factor authentication/yubikey/onepassword set-up, training began.

# **COMMUNICATIONS**

- Work has continued on the Strategic Marketing Plan draft.
- Evaluation and research of several email marketing resources is in progress.
- The Communications department is working on several large projects currently, including Love Your Library, the Summer Reading Program, and other spring events.
- The monthly campaign focused on the Love Your Library event on April 27.
- Work was completed on the Library of Things project soft launch on March 1, including signage and laminated tags. Work is continuing on a website launch page.
- Karen finalized the Mobile Services' new vehicle wrap. We're looking forward to seeing the final installation.
- Work began on the summer Inside Angle newsletter.
- Testing of the Communications Ticket System form continued within the department in March.
- Successful social media posts from the Communications department included posts promoting the ILP Temple Grandin event and holiday closures. A reel promoting how materials 'get around' was also very popular.
- One enews blast was sent during March.
- The Communications Department accepted over 60 graphics and publicity requests during March.
- Department staff attended several Adobe Summit online sessions during the last week of March. The conference focused on AI tools and resources as well as content building.

# **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

- The Outreach and Community Engagement Committee started a new Social Services
   Partnership with Rosalind Franklin University in Park City where they will participate once a
   month going forward.
- Mobile Services forged a new partnership with WSRA, and programming will start this summer.
- April Barron, Youth Services School Liaison, attended the Millburn School Showcase on March 6, 2024.

# **FACILITIES**

- Perform Web Help Desk requests for the month, room set-ups and day-to-day activities.
- HVAC PMs finished by The Hill Mechanical Group.
- Continue working on Makerspace.
- The plumbing inspection was performed by the Village of Gurnee (all good).
- Door Systems replace door C4, Ryan office outside entrance.
- Siemens on site to go over the mechanicals on HVAC automation system.
- Meet with Iskalis Flooring to get a quote on the floor for Room "A" & "B".
- Buckeye Service on site to perform yearly generator PM.

• Contractor on site to patch-up wall on Makerspace and ADA men's bathroom due to the plumbing work perform for the new sink at the Makerspace.

# **INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

- Youth services switch cabling was completed without any interruptions.
- 2FA setup for the entire library is completed.
- Performed new hire and separation tasks.
- Group policies for staff are being reviewed.
- Processed Active directory and Office 365 requests.
- Troubleshooting of staff and patron equipment and hotspots.
- Conducted scheduled Server maintenance.
- Performed scheduled backups and daily morning rounds.
- Resolved 30 web helpdesk tickets.

# **MOBILE SERVICES**

- Two-factor authentication was completed for the entire department.
- Budget was completed and ready to go for the next fiscal year
- Ordered both SRP prizes and Spanish books from Scholastic for various events and programs we are working on.

# **TECHNICAL SERVICES**

- Continue to add subject headings to the Reader collection.
- Continue cleanup of serial records in Polaris.

# **YOUTH SERVICES**

- Kids in the Kitchen brought in 42 attendees.
- We offered Pete the Cat Day during Spring Break. We had crafts, and activities and gave out Pete the Cat button stickers. 114 people participated.
- Chess Club continues to be a big hit for all ages.
- Youth Services put out a Pot of Gold for St. Patrick's Day and circulated 251 books.
- Maker programs are in big demand and we're getting great feedback from patrons.

# MARCH STATISTICS

MAIN LIBRARY CIRCULATION														
	MAR	MAR	MAR	MAR	MAR	MAR	Y.T.D.	Y.T.D	Y.T.D.	Y.T.D.	Y.T.D.	Y.T.D	PREVIOUS Y.T.D.	PERCENT CHANGE
TYPE OF MATERIAL	ADULT	ADULT+	YOUTH	YOUTH+	TOTAL	TOTAL+	ADULT	ADULT+	YOUTH	YOUTH+	TOTAL	TOTAL+	TOTAL	Y.T.D.
Audiobooks	342	367	226	241	568	608	3,053	2,585	1,506	1,245	4,559	3,830	5,423	-15.9%
Kits	0	0	38	40	38	40	0	0	323	284	323	284	577	-44.0%
Books	11,141	11,819	17,541	18,100	28,682	29,919	89,399	75,430	131,605	109,526	221,004	184,956	193,843	14.0%
Music Compact Discs	1,182	1,247	98	99	1,280	1,346	6,487	5,763	655	488	7,142	6,251	6,354	12.49
DVDs/Blu-rays	3,399	3,579	459	477	3,858	4,056	34,855	28,216	5,367	4,361	40,222	32,577	40,846	-1.5%
Magazines	483	489	60	60	543	549	6,525	5,299	404	328	6,929	5,627	6,256	10.89
Video Games	669	691	0	0	669	691	6,640	5,392	25	25	6,665	5,417	5,422	22.9%
Videoplayers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	-100.09
Telescopes	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	5	0	0	20	5	46	-56.5%
Backpacks	0	0	20	20	20	20	0	0	260	187	260	187	310	-16.19
Launchpads	0	0	10	10	10	10	0	0	105	82	105	82	149	-29.5%
Hotspots	47	47	0	0	47	47	580	444	0	0	580	444	462	25.5%
7-Day Hotspots	15	15	0	0	15	15	153	108	0	0	153	108	104	47.19
ECF Hotspots	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	98	-100.0%
Wonderbooks	0	0	72	74	72	74	0	0	519	399	519	399	512	1.49
Sensory Bins	0	0	4	4	4	4	0	0	24	18	24	18	37	-35.1%
Rokus	15	15	0	0	15	15	146	105	0	0	146	105	21	595.2%
Library of Things	64	64	50	50	114	114	64	64	50	50	114	114	0	N/A
ebooks (MMM, Hoopla)	3,848	0	591	0	4,439	0	29,933	0	5,635	0	35,568	0	40,513	-12.2%
eaudiobooks (MMM, Hoopla)	5,072	0	656	0	5,728	0	44,292	0	5,977	0	50,269	0	46,516	8.1%
evideo (MMM, Hoopla)	240	0	0	0	240	0	1,991	0	476	0	2,467	0	3,297	-25.2%
emusic (Hoopla)	82	0	8	0	90	0	804	0	80	0	884	0	1,344	-34.2%
emagazines (Overdrive)	1,372	0	0	0	1,372	0	8,770	0	43	0	8,813	0	2,642	233.6%
ecomicbooks (Hoopla)	90	0	47	0	137	0	10,891	0	1,719	0	12,610	0	13,449	-6.2%
Total emedia	10,704	0	1,302	0	12,006	0	96,681	0	13,930	0	110,611	0	107,761	2.6%
MAIN LIBRARY SUBTOTAL	28,061	18,333	19,880	19,175	47,941	37,508	244,603	123,411	154,773	116,993	399,376	240,404	368,250	8.5%
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MOBILE SERVICES														
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TYPE OF MATERIAL	ADULT	YOUTH	TOTAL	ADULT	YOUTH	TOTAL	TOTAL	Y.T.D.						
Audiobooks	47	17	64	114	41	155	136	14.0%						
Kits	0	0	0	0	107	107	67	59.7%						
Books	316	1,791	2,107	2,330	11,871	14,201	11,728	21.1%						
Music Compact Discs	10	0	10	38	9	47	120	-60.8%						
DVD's	298													
	298	13	311	2,238	95	2,333	1,573	48.3%						
Magazines	8	13	311 8	2,238 21	0	21	1,573 456	48.3% -95.4%						
Magazines Miscellaneous				21 17	0 53	,		-95.4%						
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Services Statistics Mar-24	March Adult	March Youth	March A-Bkm	March Y-Bkm	March Total	YTD Total Adult	YTD Total Youth	YTD Total A-Bkm	YTD Total Y-Bkm	YTD Total	Prev. YTD	Change
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DESK ACTIVITIES											TOTAL	
nformation	3,006	292	36	0	3,334	20,937	2,159	238	0	23,334	24,141	-3%
Reference/Titles Req.	1,264	354	75	0	1,693	11,028	2,620	510	38	14,196	14,682	-3%
E-Mail Reference	25	0	0	0	25	254	0	0	0	254	364	-30%
nstruction Questions	1,004	76	1	0	1,081	7,175	496	5	0	7,676	6,033	27%
Total Desk Activities	5,299	722	112	0	6,133	39,394	5,275	753	38	45,460	45,220	1%
INTERLIBRARY LOAN (ILL)	······											
LL Lending Requests		Fill Rate Stat			208					1,894	2,337	-19%
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n-District cardholders	T				19,352					19,352	30,273	-36%
Reciprocal cardholders					0	***************************************				0	7,856	-100%
Total Cardholders	<u> </u>				19,352					19,352	38,129	-49%
RBP Loaned					0					2,817	24,732	-89%
*RBP Borrowed					0					0	0	N/A
Holds					0					4,167	35,293	-88%
Patron Count Main					0					0	156,499	-100%
Self Check Out Use					0					12,441	152,079	-92%
BOOKMOBILE/VAN VISITS												
Neighborhood Stops					26					136	300	-55%
Park Districts					0					0		N/A
Schools					0					0	77	-100%
Senior residential facilities					8					56	10	460%
Special events					3					33	1	3200%
Total Bookmobile Stops					37					225	388	-42%
Total Patron Count					481					4,097	2,424	69%
Doorstep Delivery					8					82	146	-44%
Deposit Collection deliveries	ļ				14					102	17	500%
Remote book drop pickups					13					111	118	-6%
Total Van Stops					35					295	260	13%
Days BKM on road	L				26					183	76	141%
LIBRARY PROGRAMS		,	,									
# of Adult Programs					15					154	109	41%
Number of Synchronous Programs					15					184		N/A
Number of Asynchronous Programs					0					23		N/A
Synchronous Attendance					114					727		N/A
Asynchronous Attendance					0					221		N/A
Number of Self Directed Programs					0					5		N/A
Self-Directed Attendance					0					330	205	N/A
# of Youth Programs Number of Synchronous Programs					49 33					452 304	395	14% N/A
Synchronous Attendance					435					5,078		N/A N/A
Number of Self-Directed Programs					15					148		N/A
Self-Directed Attendance					569					3,262		N/A
# of Mobile Services Programs					57					413		N/A
Number of Synchronous Programs for Adults					2					13		N/A
Adult Attendance					16					108		N/A
Number of Synchronous Programs for Youth					30					196		N/A
Youth Attendance					412					2,779		N/A
Adult Attendance					71					488		N/A
Number of Self-Directed Programs					25					129		N/A
Self-Directed Attendance					56					927		N/A
# of General Interest Programs					1					9		N/A
General Interest Attendance					244					3,649		N/A
ROOM USE												
Meeting Room Uses					3					121	291	-58%
Study Room Uses					0					4,940	4,836	2%
NTERNET USAGE												
# of sessions					1,496					11,995	12,162	-1%
Fotal Hours					1,090					8,724	8,731	0%
Average Session (minutes)					44					393	430	-9%
# of wireless sessions					21,695					164,194		N/A
OTHER SERVICES												
Proctoring					1					4	4	0%
Voter Registration					0					0	3	-100%
Website views					21,133					192,112	206,298	-7%
New items processed					1,223					12,150	19,850	-39%
Total materials Main library					257,485					257,485	329,406	-22%
Total materials Outreach					8,319					8,319	12,313	-32%
TOTAL MATERIALS					265,804					265,804	341,719	-22%
Adult Volunteer Hours					179.5					1,762.0	1,633.5	8%
Student Volunteer Hours					0.0					142.3	246.5	-42%
Total Volunteer Hours	T	1			179.5					1,904.3	1,880.0	1%

BOARD AGENDA	ADMINISTRATION AGENDA	GENERAL LIBRARY AGENDA
MAY 2024 - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MAY 7/ REGULAR	MEETING MAY 21	
<ul> <li>CW Review of latest budget daft and discussion</li> <li>Tentative transfer of funds from Expendable Trust to Endowment Fund</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Renewal for medical, general liability and worker's compensation insurance</li> <li>Staff Development Day: Emergency Drills</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Library Closed:         <ul> <li>Mother's Day, Sunday, May</li> <li>12</li> <li>Staff Development Day,</li> <li>Tuesday, May 14, 9 am – 1</li> <li>pm</li> <li>Memorial Day, Monday,</li> <li>May 27</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
JUNE 2024- COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE JUNE 4/ REGULAR	MEETING JUNE 18	
<ul> <li>CW Finalize FY 24-25 Budget</li> <li>Approval of FY24-25 Budget at Regular meeting</li> <li>Ordinance Regular Meeting Schedule for FY24-25</li> <li>Ordinance to Transfer to the Special Reserve Fund</li> <li>Semi-annual review of closed session minutes:         <ul> <li>First half year review</li> </ul> </li> <li>ALA Annual Conference</li> <li>Executive Director Quarterly Review- Evaluation and Goals</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Fiscal Year 2023/2024 Ends</li> <li>End of Fiscal Year Annual Fund Appeal</li> <li>Ordinance Regular Meeting Schedule for FY24-25</li> <li>Ordinance to Transfer to the Special Reserve Fund</li> <li>File Board roster with the Illinoi Secretary of State and Lake County Clerk before July 1.</li> <li>ALA Annual Conference</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Summer Reading Begins</li> <li>Library Closed:         <ul> <li>Father's Day, Sunday, June</li> <li>16</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
JULY 2024- COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE / REGULAR MEETI	NG TBD	
<ul> <li>Ordinance - Building &amp; Maintenance Tax</li> <li>Ordinance - Annual Review of Non-Resident Card Program</li> <li>Ordinance -Tentative Budget &amp; Appropriations</li> <li>Annual Audit of Secretary's Meetings Minutes FY23-24</li> <li>Approval of Semi-annual review of closed session minutes. First half year review.</li> <li>Board Quarterly Review: Self-Evaluation and Goals</li> <li>2023-2025 WNPL Strategic Plan update</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>NEW FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 BEGINS</li> <li>Ordinance - Building, Sites &amp; Maintenance</li> <li>Ordinance - Tentative Budget &amp; Appropriations</li> <li>Ordinance - Annual Review of non-resident card participation</li> <li>Begin work on Annual Audit Report</li> <li>Begin work on Illinois Public Libraries Annual Report (IPLAR)</li> <li>Annual Audit of Secretary's Meeting minutes FY23-24</li> <li>Total Compensation Packages for employees earning over \$75,000</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Summer Reading Ends</li> <li>Library Closed:         <ul> <li>Independence Day,</li> <li>Thursday, July 4</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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AUGUST 2024 - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE / REGULAR MEETING TBD							
Approval of 2024 Illinois Public Library Annual Report (IPLAR)	<ul> <li>File 2023 Illinois Public Libraries Annual Report (IPLAR). Deadline on or before September 1</li> <li>Decennial Committee on Local Government Efficiency Meeting Report</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Gurnee Days</li><li>Book Sale</li></ul>					
SEPTEMBER 2024- COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE SEPTEMBE	R / REGULAR MEETING TBD						
<ul> <li>Public Hearing - Annual Budget and Appropriation</li> <li>Ordinance - Annual Budget &amp; Appropriation</li> <li>Resolution - Proclamation Friends of the Library Week October</li> <li>Executive Director Quarterly Review- Evaluation and Goals</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Public Hearing – Annual Budget and Appropriation</li> <li>Ordinance – Annual Budget &amp; Appropriation</li> <li>Resolution – Proclamation FOL Week</li> <li>Transfer unexpended funds from prior FY to Special Reserve Fund</li> <li>Consolidated Election April 2025: Circulation Period. Dates TBD</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Fall programs begin</li> <li>Library Card Sign-Up Month</li> <li>Banned Books Week</li> <li>Library Closed: <ul> <li>Labor Day, Monday,</li> <li>September 2</li> </ul> </li> </ul>					
OCTOBER 2024 - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE / REGULAR	MEETING TBD						
<ul> <li>Resolution – Determine Estimate of Funds Needed</li> <li>Complete and present Annual Audit to the Board</li> <li>Board Quarterly Review: Self-Evaluation and Goals</li> <li>2023-2025 WNPL Strategic Plan update</li> <li>Work on Per Capita &amp; Equalization Aid Grant Application requirements</li> <li>ILA Annual Conference. Trustee day.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Complete and present Annual Audit to the Board</li> <li>Resolution – Determine Estimate of Funds         Needed</li> <li>Annual Appeal Letters</li> <li>Begin work on Per Capita &amp; Equalization Aid Grant         Application. January 2025</li> <li>Begin work on holiday cards</li> <li>Receive audited annual financial statement</li> <li>Annual performance evaluations started</li> <li>ILA Annual Conference</li> <li>2023-2025 WNPL Strategic Plan update</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>National Friends of Libraries</li> <li>Week, October 19 - 25</li> </ul>					

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NOVEMBER 2024 - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE / REGULAR MEETING TBD							
<ul> <li>Truth in Taxation Law (formerly TITA) Public Hearing</li> <li>Levy Ordinance</li> <li>Staff Year End Bonuses</li> <li>Treasurer to prepare sworn report of Receipts and Disbursements</li> <li>Strategic Planning update</li> <li>Treasurer- to file a sworn, detailed, and itemized statement of all receipts and expenditures for the preceding FY</li> <li>Executive Director's annual performance evaluation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Approval of Levy Ordinance</li> <li>File Audit Report and annual Financial Report with Comptroller and County Clerk.</li> <li>Publish treasurer's report of annual receipts and disbursements</li> <li>Work on holiday e-cards</li> <li>Mail annual appeal letter.</li> <li>Post Continuing Disclosure Information (Bonds)</li> <li>Annual performance evaluations of managers and administrative staff</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Inside Angle: Winter Issue</li> <li>Book Sale</li> <li>LIBRARY CLOSED:         <ul> <li>Thanksgiving Day, Thursday,</li> <li>November 28</li> </ul> </li> </ul>					
DECEMBER 2024 – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE / REGULAR	MEETING TDB						
<ul> <li>Treasurer's Report of Receipts and Disbursements</li> <li>Semi-annual review of closed session minutes: second half year</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Treasurers' Report of Receipts and Disbursements to file with County Clerk</li> <li>Email Holiday Cards</li> <li>Program pay increases for staff</li> <li>Consolidated Election April 2025: Filing of nomination papers. Dates TBD</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Library Closed:         <ul> <li>Christmas Eve, Tuesday,</li> <li>December 24.</li> <li>Christmas Day, Wednesday,</li> <li>December 25, and</li> <li>New Year's Eve, Tuesday,</li> <li>December 31</li> </ul> </li> </ul>					
JANUARY 2025 – REGULAR MEETING TBD							
<ul> <li>Approval of Per Capita &amp; Equalization Aid Grant Application. Deadline January 30</li> <li>Ordinance- Abatement of Tax for Debt Service</li> <li>Fundraising update.</li> <li>Approval of Semi-annual closed session minutes</li> <li>2023-2025 WNPL Strategic Plan update</li> <li>Annual membership renewals for Trustees</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pay increases effective January 1.</li> <li>Ordinance – Bond Levy Abatement</li> <li>Approval and filing of Illinois Per Capita &amp; Equalization Aid Grant Application. Deadline January 30</li> <li>2023-2025 WNPL Strategic Plan update</li> <li>Fundraising update</li> <li>RAILS Memberships Standards Data Collection. Deadline March 31</li> <li>Set Budget process timeline</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Winter programs begin</li> <li>Friends of the Library         Meeting TBD</li> <li>Library Closed:         New Year's Day, Wednesday         January 1</li> </ul>					

BOARD AGENDA	ADMINISTRATION AGENDA	GENERAL LIBRARY AGENDA				
FEBRUARY 2025 – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE / REGULAR MEETING TBD						
• <u>Annual Review</u> : Board Self-Evaluation and Goals	<ul> <li>President's Day Library Legislative Meet-up</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Friend of the Library Book</li> </ul>				
CW Initial overview of potential capital projects	<ul> <li>Capital projects evaluation criteria.</li> </ul>	Sale TBD				
for FY 25/26	<ul> <li>Strategic Planning Process</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Friends of the Library</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>President's Day Library Legislative Meet-up.</li> </ul>	ILA, ALA+UFL Membership renewals for Trustees	Meeting TBD				
MARCH 2025- COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE / REGULAR MEI	ETING TBD					
<ul> <li>CW Capital planning review and discussion.</li> </ul>	RAILS Annual Library Certification deadline March	<ul> <li>Freedom of Information Day</li> </ul>				
Executive Director Quarterly Review- Evaluation	31.					
and Goals	ILLINET Interlibrary Loan and Reciprocal					
Board Training and self-development	Borrowing Statistical Survey.					
	Capital planning budget finalized					
	<ul> <li>Board Training and self-developments</li> </ul>					
APRIL 2025 - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE / REGULAR MEET	TING					
CW Initial presentation of budget draft	<ul> <li>Budget submitted by departments</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>National Library Week</li> </ul>				
File Statement of Economic Interest. (Last day	File Statement of Economic Interest (elected)	<ul> <li>Spring programs begins</li> </ul>				
April 30)	officials, head librarians and other department					
Board Quarterly Review- Self-Evaluation and	heads of a unit of local government. (Last day					
Goals	April 30)					
• 2023-2025 WNPL Strategic Plan update	<ul> <li>2023-2025 WNPL Strategic Plan update</li> </ul>					
Bookmobile update	Bookmobile update					
Maker Space update	Maker Space update					
Automated Materials Handling System update	<ul> <li>Automated Materials Handling System update</li> </ul>					
PLA 2025 Conference						

# Board packet April 16, 2024: Ordinance 2023/2024-7 Ordinance Amending Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Friday, April 12, 2024 12:09 PM

Subject	Board packet April 16, 2024: Ordinance 2023/2024-7 Ordinance Amending Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for Fiscal Year 2023-2024
From	Ryan Livergood
То	libraryboard
Сс	Gina Ornelas; Sandy Beda; Rebekah Raleigh; Amy Blanchard
Sent	Friday, April 12, 2024 12:02 PM
Attachments	Ordinance 2023-2024-7 Amending the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for FY 2023-2024 Final.pdf

# Good morning,

The Maker Space project was initiated due to the feedback we received from the community during the strategic planning process. It wasn't on our radar during budget planning last year. However, we were able to raise the funds to pay for the majority of the project, including funds raised from our annual appeal and at the Library After Dark event. These funds reside in our Expendable Trust fund. While the Board already voted to spend these funds on the Maker Space project, legally we cannot spend funds that have not been appropriated. Thus, for us to become compliant with the law, the Board will need to adopt Ordinance 2023/2024-7 at next Tuesday's meeting.

Thanks, Ryan

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# WARREN-NEWPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT LAKE COUNTY, ILLINOIS

# **ORDINANCE # 2023/2024-7**

# ORDINANCE AMENDING BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024

**WHEREAS,** the Library Trustees of the Warren-Newport Public Library District, by Ordinance 2023/2024-7, adopted a Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024; and

**WHEREAS,** the Library Trustees have reconsidered the amount budgeted and appropriated for certain line items in said Ordinance; and

**WHEREAS,** the Illinois Library District Act permits amendments to the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance; and

**WHEREAS,** the Library Trustees have determined that said Budget and Appropriation Ordinance should be amended in accordance with the fiscal needs of the Library District

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED** by the Board of Trustees of the Warren-Newport Public Library District, Lake County, Illinois as follows:

**SECTION 1:** Ordinance 2023/2024-4 (the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for fiscal year 2023-2024) be and is amended by appropriating funds as follows:

- A. The appropriation for "Building Capital Projects" in the Endowment Fund/Expendable Trust is increased from \$11,000 to \$41,000.
- B. The appropriation for "Building Capital Projects" in the Special Reserve Fund is decreased from \$2,050,000 to \$2,020,000.

**SECTION 2:** All portions of the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance inconsistent with the foregoing are amended in the same manner and to the same extent.

**SECTION 3:** The foregoing adjustments to the line items do not affect the total amount appropriated.

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**SECTION 4:** This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval as required by law.

**ADOPTED** by the Board of Library Trustees of the Warren-Newport Public Library District, Lake County, Illinois on the 16 day of April 2024 by a vote of:

**AYES:** 

**NAYS:** 

**ABSENT OR ABSTAINING:** 

**DATE OF ENACTMENT:** April 16, 2024 **EFFECTIVE DATE:** April 16, 2024 **DATE OF POSTING:** April 17, 2024

George Kotsinis, President Board of Trustees of the

Warren-Newport Public Library District

ATTEST:

Jo Beckwith, Secretary Board of Trustees of the Warren-Newport Public Library District

(SEAL)

# Warren-Newport Public Library District Staff Manual

# 321 Staff Recognition

Effective Date: 04/16/2024 Review/Revision Date:

The Staff Recognition Program has been established to formally acknowledge and celebrate the dedication and continuous years of service of our employees at the Warren-Newport Public Library District. Substitute staff and seasonal employees are not eligible for recognition. Each award can only be received once. There must be no break in employment such as retirement or rehire for a staff member to qualify for recognition.

The Staff Recognition Program is divided into two categories:

- Service Awards
- Retirement Recognition

Beyond these programs, staff can recognize their colleagues through a WNPL Shout Out.

#### **Service Awards**

Years of Service	Taxable Cash Awards after taxes	AND Paid Time
5	\$50.00	
10	\$100.00	One Floating Day
15	\$150.00	(time awarded to non-benefited staff to
20	\$200.00	be prorated based on the employee's
25	\$250.00	default hours)
30	\$300.00	
35	\$350.00	

Staff members will receive a greeting card note to notify them when they receive their service award.

HR will share Instructions on how to use the time off with the manager and the employee. Paid time off must be used within 30 days from when it is awarded, does not carry over, and cannot be used on Sundays.

# **Retirement Recognition**

When a staff member retires with at least 10 continuous years of service and is at least aged 55 or older, they will be eligible for retirement recognition.

# Warren-Newport Public Library District Staff Manual

Retiring employees have the option of a reception in addition to the Library Gold Card, Read Poster, Celebration Square Brick, and taxable cash award in the amount of the most recent longevity award. If a reception is not wanted, the celebrated retiree will receive the Library Gold Card, Read Poster, and Celebration Square Brick along with the taxable cash award. The manager should reach out to Human Resources with the retiring staff member's preferences.

The reception budget is dependent on department size and whether it is a library-wide celebration. The budget is not to exceed \$300.00, should be used strictly for reception items, and is not in lieu of a larger cash award.

# **Recognizing Colleagues**

We encourage staff to recognize colleagues for something they did in service to patron(s) or colleague(s) through a *WNPL Shout Out*. These shout outs are featured in the WNPL Weekly Update every Friday.