

Waltham Public Library

Waltham, Massachusetts

Special Trustees Meeting

Friday, June 21, 2013 4pm

Present: Ms. Joan Garniss; Mr. Steven Mann; Mr. Alan Humbert; Ms. Maureen Taddeo; Ms. Kate Tranquada, Library Director; Ms. Deb Fasulo, Assistant Library Director; Ms. Bernadette Sewell, Assistant City Solicitor; Mr. Paul Centofanti, City Auditor and Ms. Jeannette McCarthy, Mayor.

The Special Trustees Meeting of the Waltham Public Library was called to order by Ms. Garniss at 4:02pm in the Trustees' Room of the Library.

Ms. Fasulo was named clerk in the absence of Ms. Marie McKenzie.

Announcement: Ms. Ardis Francouer, the candidate selected to fill the vacant Audio-Visual Department Head position, has filed a breach of contract lawsuit against the City and the Library.

Collective Bargaining Update:

A motion was made by Mr. Humbert to suspend this Special Meeting and enter into Executive Session. Following Roll call vote, the executive session began at 4:07. The purpose of the executive session was:

- (Reason #2) To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for negotiations with nonunion personnel or to conduct collective bargaining sessions or contract negotiations with nonunion personnel;
- (Reason #3) To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares;

Return to open session:

A motion to exit executive session and return to open meeting was made by Mr. Mann and seconded by Mr. Humbert. A roll call vote was unanimous. Open session was resumed at 4:55pm

Given current circumstances, Ms. Tranquada and Ms. Fasulo assert that library hours during 2013 summer weekends can be reliably staffed only 12-5 on Saturdays, closing on Sundays. It is unsafe for the public and employees to insufficiently staff the library.

Motion: Subject to impact bargaining, the Trustees approve a temporary change in the hours of the library to 12-5 on Saturdays, closing Sundays, during July and August 2013. Moved by Ms. Mawhinney and seconded by Ms. Taddeo. A roll call vote was unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10pm

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Fasulo

Assistant Library Director/Clerk pro tem