**North Riverside Public Library**

2400 S. Des Plaines Avenue

## North Riverside, Illinois 60546

Minutes

Advocacy Committee

August 5th, 2024

1. **Open of Meeting**
   1. Call to order – Meeting called to order by Chair Ottenweller at 6:59pm.
   2. Determination of quorum – Kathy Bonnar, Jeanne Ottenweller, Kyle Johnson and Annette Corgiat.
   3. Recognition of visitors to the meeting – John Mathias, Mike Bradley, Britney Musial, and virtually Natalie Starosta.
   4. Approval of agenda and requested changes to agenda- Secretary Johnson made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion seconded by Trustee Bonnar. All aye. Motion carried.
2. **Open Forum**

No comments.

1. **Advocacy**
   1. Discussion of ILA Advocacy Toolkit
      1. Develop the Advocacy Plan – Chair Ottenweller discussed the sample plan provided in the ILA Advocacy Toolkit. Director Starosta will resend a link to the toolkit to committee members to review before the next meeting.
      2. Advocacy Action Tips – Chair Ottenweller discussed the “Know Your Library and Community” idea. Currently the Village is restructuring the former Neighborhood Services committee which would be a great please to spread information about the library. Chair Ottenweller will be handing out bookmarks and goody bags for participants at her local Block Party from the Library. President Corgiat said that in the future she will talk about the library at the Mater Christi Women’s Guild meetings.
      3. She also talked about the recent presentation by United for Libraries in which several presenters talked about how the Board should be reflective of the community is serves. President Corgiat said that they have had 2 Hispanic board members in the past but no one from that part of the community has been interested in serving on the Board.
   2. Presentation of previous advocacy efforts by Annette Corgiat – No presentation. Tabled for next meeting.
2. **Adjournment**

Motion made by Secretary Johnson to adjourn the meeting at 7:36pm. Motion seconded by President Corgiat. All aye. Motion carried.

The Library Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 19th, 2024 at 6:00pm.