

**Ella Johnson Memorial Public Library
109 S. State Street Hampshire, IL 60140
Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees
September 23, 2021**

Call to Order: President Barbara Brust called the special meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:03 p.m. Present were trustees Linda Wallace, Matthew Mariani, Karen Williams, Pat Dumoulin, and Judy Pokorny. Also present were Stephen Bero, Interim Director, and Jim Deiters and Alex Todd of Deiters and Todd Library Consultants.

Changes/Corrections to the Agenda: President Brust noted that the numbering of the last three items on the agenda was incorrect. By consensus the appropriate Roman numerals were assigned to these items: IV. New Business; V. Discussion; and VI. Adjournment.

Questions/Comments-Public Media: None.

New Business - Director Search: Jim Deiters and Alex Todd began this section of the meeting by asking the trustees what qualities they are looking for in a new director. They continued by asking what the Board considered to be the top priorities they hoped the new director would address. Jim Deiters indicated that the answers of the trustees were very similar to those given at an earlier meeting when he and Alex interviewed the staff with essentially the same questions. This question and answer segment concluded around 7:25 with each trustee identifying what one thing each of them would like the new director to know about the Ella Johnson Memorial Public Library.

Discussion: Jim Deiters and Alex Todd engaged the group in a conversation about the Job Ad and what would be pertinent information to include. They said that the application deadline would probably be around the end of October. They planned to keep the board and the interim director informed at each step in the process. A report from the consultants would be part of the October regular meeting.

Adjournment: President Brust adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

**Respectfully submitted,
Judith Pokorny
Recording Secretary**