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# LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

April 20, 2023

Sue Jankowski, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:31pm. In attendance were Trustee Geraldine Burek and Library Director Jesse Blazek. Trustee Rhodes was not present.

Director Blazek reviewed the Library's current Strategic Plan, which was commissioned in 2018 and completed in 2019. It included the development of a new Mission Statement and Strategic Plan Outline, both of which were adopted by the Board of Trustees. Director Blazek reviewed the contents of the outline and progress that has been made in achieving each of its goals. It was noted that, with the onset of the pandemic in 2020, focus was necessarily shifted away from Strategic Planning in order to see to these more pressing needs. Nonetheless, progress was made on many of these goals.

Trustees discussed whether it made more sense to continue with the existing Strategic Plan or whether it might be more worthwhile to commission a new one. Given that the implementation of the current plan was put on hold and still pertains to the Library's operations, it was recommended that the current plan remain in place. Trustee Jankowski moved that the current plan remain in effect for the foreseeable future. Trustee Burek Seconded. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Trustee Jankowski instructed Director Blazek that a detailed progress report and plan of action for further enacting the current Strategic Plan will be discussed at the committee's next meeting.

Trustee Jankowski adjourned the meeting at 6:57pm.