

MORRISON-TALBOTT LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

16 MARCH 2020 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The Morrison-Talbott Library Board of Trustees held a special meeting on Monday 16 March 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in Col. Morrison's Home. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss information on COVID-19 and vote to determine MTL position and procedures in light of this situation.

President, Sharon Glessner presided. Trustees present included:

Vickie Gardner	P	Sharon Glessner	P	James Hopkins	P
Phillip Kelley	P	Andrew Mayer	P	Jared Nobbe	A
Kenneth Perkins	A	Judith Tomlinson	A	Rita Trantham	P

Others Present: Elaine Steingrubey, Library Director.

On Friday, 13 March 2020, Gov. Pritzker ordered all schools to be closed from 17 March 2020 through 30 March 2020, in an effort to slow the spread of the novel coronavirus disease, COVID-19, by limiting contact among large groups of people.

On Monday, 16 March 2020, the Governor mandated restaurants and bars to close, or at least to eliminate situations which would encourage gathering and spending long periods of time in the close quarters of the establishment. Both the Illinois Heartland Library System (IHLS) and the Reaching Across Illinois Library System (RAILS) suspended delivery of materials for the same time period. The Illinois Library Association (ILA) is recommending that libraries close and that library staff stay home.

MTL has budgeted regular hours for the current staff through the end of our fiscal year, and has received the funds to support that budget.

Rita Trantham made a motion that in light of these unprecedented circumstances, the Library shall follow closure on the same schedule as the Waterloo Community School District # 5; and that MTL Staff shall be paid in accordance with the hours budgeted to stay home through 30 March 2020, at which time the situation will be reevaluated. Phillip Kelley seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The next Morrison-Talbott Library Board of Trustees regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, 30 March 2020 at 6:30 p.m. in the library. Andy Mayer made a motion, seconded by Jim Hopkins to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned 5:48 p.m.