A Special Meeting of the Library Board of Directors of the Kanawha County Public Library was held on Monday, November 25, 2019 at 4:00 PM in the John V. Ray Room of the Main Library.

KCPL Board of Directors’ present were Dr. Kenneth Bailey (via phone), Dr. Mickey Blackwell, Ms. Stephanie Haden, Ms. Monika Jaensson, Ms. Betty King, Ms. Cheryl Morgan, Ms. Jennifer Pauer (via phone), Ms. Susan Shumate, Ms. Anne Silbernagel, Ms. Debra Sullivan (via phone), and Mr. Benjamin Thomas (via phone).

KCPL staff members present were Ms. April Wallace, Ms. Marsha Alford, Mr. Teddy Claypool, Mr. Stan Howell, Mr. Tim Venitsanos, and Ms. Sara Caswell.

Also present were Mr. David Pray (via phone) and Mr. Christopher Winton, counsel for the Library.

There being a quorum present, Ms. Jaensson called the meeting to order. The purpose of the meeting was to receive a report on options for available temporary lease spaces during proposed construction period and recommended parameters of terms of proposed lease or leases.

Mr. Winton, as library counsel, stated that the Special Meeting could go into Executive Session on the basis that the Board would consider matters involving or affecting the purchase, sale, or lease of property, advance construction planning, the investment of public funds, or other matters involving commercial competition, which if made public, might adversely affect the financial or other interest of the Library. Upon motion made, seconded, and unanimously passed, the meeting went into executive session. Staff members were excused as the KCPL Board of Directors went into Executive Session, except that Mr. Pray (via phone), Owner’s Representative; Mr. Winton, counsel for the library; and Ms. April Wallace, Assistant Library Director, remained to present evidence or advice to the Board.

At the close of the Executive Session, the Board re-entered the public meeting, and KCPL Staff rejoined the meeting.

Upon motion made by Ms. Shumate, which was seconded and unanimously passed, it was RESOLVED that the President, with the assistance of counsel, is authorized to sign a letter of intent with a lessor or lessors for temporary space during the construction period of the Main Library within the primary terms discussed in executive session and to enter into negotiations along such lines determined by her to be in the best interests of the Library.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.