

**MEETING MINUTES
HOMEWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Special Board Meeting, September 15, 2022
10:00 a.m.**

Call to order

The meeting began at 10:02 a.m. Trustees Ward, River, Gildart, Nowak and Director Waltman were present.

Introduction of Guests

Nancy Kreith, University of Illinois Extension, Jes O'Malley, Master Gardener

Public Comments

None

Old Business

The group walked around the property identifying places to possibly transplant some of the taller and somewhat unwieldy plants. Nancy Kreith suggested using the large space near the Hoekstra side of the parking lot for these transplants as well as the area outside the YS window closer to the building, for lower level transplants. She talked about the addition of the education piece and stated HPL is already fulfilling many of the requirements for the Conservation at Home designation. She shared some documents with different possible plantings and organizations that may be able to assist. She also said she would be willing to come out and help/supervise a group of volunteers willing to do the planting/transplanting as the project progresses. Jes also indicated a willingness to help and she is close, in Flossmoor. Kreith identified phase one as prepping for transplant and phase 2 for doing the actual transplant and phase 3 as getting a landscape company to remove the brush near the YS window area for more plantings/transplantings and then plantings of lower level items in the front circle area.

Next steps are to discuss with the Board the preferred timetable. Kreith suggested we could start in the fall and then do more in the Spring. Director Waltman will work on getting volunteers and coordinating with Kreith to do on site work in the fall, depending on what the Board decides.

Adjournment

The meeting ended at 11:18 a.m.