PUBLIC HEARING

PROPOSED PUBLIC LIBRARY CERTIFICATION RULE CHANGES

March 18th, 2022, 10:00AM ET

 Room 401, Indiana State Library

# CALL TO ORDER

The Public Hearing was called to order at 10:00 am by Ms. Laurel Setser, Chair of the Indiana Library and Historical Board (ILHB). ILHB members present were Mr. Tom Neuffer and Mr. Joe Skvarenina. Also, present was Jacob Speer, Director of the Indiana State Library.

Others present were:

Katrice Anders-Jordan, State Library

Stephanie Asberry, State Library

Kara Cleveland, State Library

Jen Clifton, State Library

Angela Downs, State Library

Jamie Dunn, State Library

Cheri Harris, State Library

Michella Marino, Historical Bureau

Sylvia Watson, State Library

1. **REVIEW OF PROPOSED CERTIFICATION RULE CHANGES**

Mr. Speer described the background that led to current ILHB certification rules and summarized the proposed changes, which he noted are designed to simplify the certification process. Proposed changes allow librarians more flexibility in selecting courses that will count toward certification and programs that will count toward continuing education. Board members were provided with an updated summary of public comments the agency received in writing prior to the hearing. Mr. Speer asked Ms. Harris to explain the additional change requested to Section 10 of the draft. Ms. Harris indicated that the written amendment to the proposed rules clarified Librarian Certificate 3 requirements by striking the first sentence, which had been confusing and unnecessary.

1. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Setser noted that no one wishing to speak was in attendance. She pointed out that the written comments on the proposed rules were generally favorable.

1. **VOTE ON THE PROPOSED CHANGES**

Mr. Neuffer moved and Mr. Skvarenina seconded the following motion:

**TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED CERTIFICATION RULE CHANGES INCLUDING THE ADDITIONAL CHANGE REQUESTED TO SECTION 10.**

The motion passed with all board members in attendance voting in favor.

1. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the hearing adjourned at approximately 10:06 AM.