

**Kate Jackson**

**Library Board Trustee**

And my reasons for running are as follows:

1) Because I have two school age children who love libraries. In fact, our entire family is obsessed with books, reading, and libraries. I freely admit we are bookworms. We all believe our wonderful village library has untapped potential. Wouldn't it be amazing to amplify the current offerings and make it an innovation center, sparking our children's imagination? What if the children's area became a STEAM learning hub with Maker kits or Raspberry Pi or Minecraft or Arduino workshops? Or a place for high school students to work on projects in private study rooms? I want my kids nagging me to take them to the Lake Bluff Library every week because it's the cool place to be.

2) I have served on non-profit boards for nearly 20 years from The John G. Shedd Aquarium to the The Women's Board of The University of Chicago. I understand how to be an effective board member and how to work with different constituencies to reach a positive end goal. In addition, I worked in management consulting with Accenture and Deloitte and in finance with JP Morgan, which affords me an understanding of business processes.

3) I believe the most pressing issues are two-fold: (1) meeting the needs of two disparate stakeholder groups: retirees and children (pre-K through 12th grade) and (2) fundraising to expand the library into its next chapter.

4) I am aware the board approved a new logo.