

**Mount Laurel Library
Board of Trustees
Minutes of Board Meeting
February 21, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER:

6:01PM

FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION:

Provided by Mr. Stridick

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW STATEMENT:

Mr. Stridick stated that this meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of the meeting was provided by way of the Burlington County Times, the Courier Post, and the Mount Laurel Sun, and it was posted in the library and on its website.

ROLL CALL:

Chris Bleiholder - *Present*

Noreen Duffey – *Present*

Denise Gamble – *Absent*

Roger Gibson – *Present*

Nick Moustakas – *Absent*

Susan Rovi - *Absent*

Fredda Sacharow – *Present*

Stephanie Sawyer – *Present*

Walter F. Stridick – *Present*

ALSO PRESENT:

Ed Campbell, Esq.- Library Attorney

Becky Boydston- Library Director

Laureen Bacon- Library Administrative Assistant

ADMINISTRATION OF THE OATHS OF OFFICES

Walter Stridick – President

Fredda Sacharow – Vice President

APPROVAL of MINUTES:

Ms. Sacharow noted an error in the January 17, 2024, meeting minutes. She was incorrectly documented as seconding a motion. The correction will be made to accurately reflect the approvers.

Approval of January 17, 2024, minutes of meeting subject to correction:

Motion to approve: Mr. Gibson

2nd: Mr. Bleiholder

Roll Call: 6 yes votes

APPROVAL of the February 16, 2024, BILL LIST in the amount of \$97,220.14 and the February 21, 2024, BILL LIST ADDENDUM in the amount of \$4,712.99:

Motion to approve: Ms. Duffey

2nd: Ms. Sacharow

Roll Call: 6 yes votes

REPORT FROM LIBRARY STAFF:

Ms. Bodyston reported that the Library is starting a Seed Library. Patrons can browse our collection of seeds to request at a station near the plant propagation station. Ms. Boydston also reported that Library staff engaged in community outreach at Holiday Village and signed up about five individuals for Library cards. Ms. Boydston also reported that she will be attending the SirsiDynix Users Group Conference from March 5-8.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

TRUSTEE TRAINING REQUIREMENT

The Library Board as a whole must complete a minimum of seven hours of training per year. Resources were provided to the Board members to assist in meeting this requirement.

STRATEGIC PLAN

The Library has a goal of preparing a new Strategic Plan by the end of 2024. The State Library is offering a series of training sessions on this topic. They are that the Director and at least one trustee agree to attend all five strategic planning training sessions to participate. Susan Rovi, Fredda Sacharow, and Walter Stridick all expressed interest in attending the training sessions.

2024-015 AUTHORIZATION TO SELL SURPLUS ON DISCOVER BOOKS

Motion to approve: Mr. Bleiholder

2nd: Ms. Sawyer

Roll Call: 6 yes votes

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn at 6:25PM: Ms. Sawyer

2nd: Mr. Bleiholder

All in favor