

**Mount Laurel Library
Board of Trustees
Minutes of Board Meeting
November 15, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER:

6:01 PM

FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION:

Provided by Ms. Sawyer

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW STATEMENT:

Ms. Sawyer 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 via Zoom*

Denise Gamble – *Absent*

Roger Gibson – *Present*

Kareem Pritchett – *Present*

Susan Rovi - *Present*

Fredda Sacharow – *Present*

Stephanie Sawyer – *Present*

Walter F. Stridick – *Present*

ALSO PRESENT:

Ed Campbell, Esq.- Library Attorney via Zoom

Becky Boydston- Library Director

Lauren Bacon- Library Administrative Assistant

APPROVAL of MINUTES:

Approval of Meeting October 18, 2023 minutes of meeting:

Motion to approve: Mr. Bleiholder

2nd: Ms. Sacharow

All in Favor

APPROVAL of the November 10, 2023 BILL LIST in the amount of \$ 71,302.15 and the November 15, 2023 BILL LIST ADDENDUM in the amount of \$ 20,693.90:

Motion to approve: Mr. Stridick

2nd: Mr. Bleiholder

Roll Call: 8 yes votes

REPORT FROM LIBRARY STAFF:

Ms. Boydston reported that the Library is changing vendors for the Events Calendar and Room Reservations due to the current vendor discontinuing their service next year.

Ms. Boydston reported that the Library's labor attorney recently conducted 2 training sessions for non-supervisory staff on various employment-related topics. Supervisory staff had a similar training session previously.

Ms. Boydston reported that the Library will be replacing the fire sprinkler heads in the building soon.

Ms. Boydston reported that Teen Librarian Molly Morrison has been working diligently with the student volunteers of the National Junior Honor Society to facilitate their Leadership Projects. One of the students created this month's curbside craft for our kid's program.

Ms. Boydston reported that the Library recently received a bequest for \$15,000 that will be used for purchasing ebooks. The Library also received a donation of a Playstation 4 console and some Playstation 4 games. We are looking into loaning game consoles as the next addition to our Library of Things.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Library's Board of Trustees nominated Mr. Roger Gibson to facilitate the election of the Board's Officers for the upcoming term.

2023-031 BUDGET TRANSFERS

Motion to Approve: Mr. Bleiholder

2nd: Mr. Gibson

Roll Call: 8 yes votes

2023-032 CANCELLATION OF OUTSTANDING CHECKS

Motions to Approve: Mr. Bleiholder

2nd: Ms. Sacharow

Roll Call: 8 yes votes

2023-033 AUTHORIZATION TO SELL SURPLUS ON DISCOVER BOOKS

Motion to Approve: Mr. Bleiholder

2nd: Ms. Sacharow

Roll Call: 8 yes votes

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn at 6:26pm: Mr. Stridick

2nd: Mr. Bleiholder

All in favor