

CRANBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meeting Minutes

October 12, 2023, 7:00 p.m.

Cranbury Public Library, Meeting Room 3

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH PUBLIC MEETINGS

ACT Pursuant to provisions of the Open Public Meeting Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by the Library Director as follows: December 1, 2022 a notice for this meeting was sent to the Cranbury Press, Home News Tribune, Township Clerk and posted in the Public Library.

2. INTRODUCTIONS OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Andre Mento, President **present** Kirstie Venanzi, Vice-President **present**
Ira Negin, Treasurer **present** Michael Ferrante, Secretary/Mayor **present**
Vikranta Sharma, Trustee **absent** Patty Thomsson, Trustee **present**
Fred Dennehy, Trustee **present** Christine Tu, Trustee **present**
Emma Bossard, School Administrator's representative **absent**

Also present:

Brooke Basista, Library Director

Jon Raphael, Cranbury Public Library Foundation Representative

Priyanka, Dhulkhed, Cranbury Public Library Board of Trustees Secretary

Eagle Scout

3. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Action on minutes from 9/14/23

- I Negin noted the following amendment on the meeting minutes from 9/14/23
 - A. Action on minutes from 8/10/23: K Venanzi moved. P Thomsson seconded. M Ferrante seconded. M Ferrante abstained. All else voted in favor
 - B. Action on Bills from month end 8/31/23: K Venanzi moved. M Ferrante seconded. All else voted in favor
- K Venanzi moved to approve the minutes as amended. F Dennehy seconded. C Tu abstained. All others voted in favor.

B. Action on Bills from month end 9/30/23. K Venanzi moved. M Ferrante seconded. All else voted in favor

4. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** I Negin presented the report. It was accepted by the board.

5. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** A Mento presented the report. It was accepted by the board.

6. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** B Basista presented the report. It was accepted by the board.

7. **TECHNOLOGY REPORT:** B Basista presented the report. It was accepted by the board. Of note, LMxAC Director, Eric Louzkas, shared with the director that Cranbury Public Library has a higher percentage of library card holders per capita than is typical for other New Jersey libraries.

8. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS:

A. Mayor's Rep M Ferrante presented his report. It was accepted by the board.

B. School Administrator/Rep M Ferrante presented the report. It was accepted by the board.

C. Cranbury Public Library Foundation Rep J Raphael presented the report. It was accepted by the board.

9. TRUSTEE COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Personnel: Chair- Patty Thomsson, Kirstie Venanzi **P Thomsson presented the report. It was accepted by the board.**

B. Finance: Chair – Chair- Ira Negin, Andre Mento **See Treasurer's Report.**

C. Policy and Planning: Chair- Kirstie Venanzi, Patty Thomsson, Fred Dennehy, Ira Negin **No update.**

D. Nominations and Elections: Chair - Andre Mento, Kirstie Venanzi **No update**

E. Special - Community Engagement: Chair- Christine Tu, Patty Thomsson, Mike Ferrante **No update.**

10. **OLD BUSINESS** None

11. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Eagle Scout Project

Cranbury Eagle Scout donated a bike rack and outdoor lawn games to the library for his

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Eagle Scout award. The donation was accepted by the board.

B. Holly Tree Donation

K Venanzi moved to accept the Holly Tree Donation from Matthew Long, deferring placement and logistics to the director's discretion. P Thomsson seconded. All voted in favor.

12. CORRESPONDENCE: None.

13. OPEN DISCUSSION PERIOD

The board discussed donor funding and support.

14. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

15. ADJOURNMENT I Negin moved. K Venanzi seconded. All voted in favor. Adjourned at 7:40pm.

Note:

This notice has been posted on the Cranbury Public Library website. The above agenda is as best known at the time of posting.