

# CRANBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

### Meeting Minutes

July 11, 2024, 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, 2023 a notice for this meeting was sent to the Trenton Times, Home News Tribune, and Township Clerk and posted in the Public Library.

**The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Andre Mento**

#### 2. INTRODUCTIONS OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Andre Mento, President (present)      Kirstie Venanzi, Vice-President (present)  
Ira Negin, Treasurer (present)      Michael Ferrante, Mayor's Representative (absent)  
Vikranta Sharma, Trustee (present)      Michaele Kehrt, Trustee (present)  
Fred Dennehy, Trustee (present)      Christine Tu, Trustee (present)  
Emma Bossard, School Administrator's Representative (present)

Also to be present:

Brooke Basista, Library Director (present)

Elizabeth Begonis, Library Staff (present)

#### 3. CONSENT AGENDA :

A. Action on minutes from 6/13/24

**Ira Negin moved. Fred Dennehy seconded. Approved.**

B. Action on Bills from month end 6/30/24

**Ira Negin moved. Michaele Kehrt seconded. Approved.**

4. **TREASURER'S REPORT:** Ira Negin presented our financial report.

5. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Andre Mento reported on looking into unusual AC costs. Most of the expense appears to be in diagnosing the problem.

6. **VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Kirstie Venanzi reported that the previous potential donors emailed Andre, Brooke and Kirstie to re-establish a dialogue about the possibility of the donation. No decisions were made. They are away for the summer. The library board requested that a memo be written to the donors thanking them and outlining how we could work with them.

6. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Brooke Basista presented the report.

#### 7. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS:

A. Mayor's Rep: No Report

B. School Administrator/Rep: Emma Bossard gave us an update on the school construction

C. Cranbury Public Library Foundation: No Report

#### 8. TRUSTEE COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Personnel: Chair- Kirstie Venanzi, Michaele Kehrt: No Report

B. Finance: Chair – Chair- Ira Negin, Andre Mento- As previously reported

C. Policy and Planning: Chair- Kirstie Venanzi, Fred Dennehy, Ira Negin, Vikranta Sharma:  
No Report.

D. Facilities Committee: Chair - Andre Mento, Michael Ferrante: No Report

#### 9. OLD BUSINESS

A. Pride Month Programming Update- Elizabeth Begonis gave us the Youth Services report. In addition she highlighted the success of Pride Month programming and the increase in community

engagement.

**10. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Resolution 2024-3 Reserving Capital Funds

**Kirstie Venanzi moved approval. Vikranta Sharma seconded. The resolution passed.**

**11. CORRESPONDENCE: None**

**12. OPEN DISCUSSION PERIOD**

**13. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Public comments shall be reserved for Cranbury Township residents and limited to 3 minutes.

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

**Ira Negin moved. Fred Dennehy seconded. Approved.**

**Meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.**

Note:

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