

**CRANBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MEETING MINUTES**

August 8, 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.

Meeting called to order at 7:02 by A. Mento

**2. INTRODUCTIONS OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

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

Also to be present:

Brooke Basista, Library Director - Present

**3. CONSENT AGENDA**

A. 7/11/24 Minutes - Moved by M. Kehrt, seconded by F. Dennehy, unanimously (M. Ferrante abstained)

B. Bills from month end 7/31/24 - Moved by F. Dennehy, seconded by C. Tu, approved unanimously

**4. TREASURER'S REPORT:** Treasurer – Brooke provided in Ira's absence, nothing out of usual

**5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** President – Nothing specific to report

**6. DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Director – Brooke reported out on items from her report submitted in advance of the meeting: painted rocks, partnership with Summer Recreation program, partnership with Senior program, got an article in the Cranbury Press, History Center has started to provide materials, Final building Certificate of Occupancy is imminent, bookkeeper role posted, maintenance role filled, new circulation policy.

**7. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS:**

A. Mayor's Rep – Nothing much to report

B. School Administrator/Rep – No report from Emma

C. Cranbury Public Library Foundation Rep – the Board reviewed the fall mass mailing

**8. TRUSTEE COMMITTEE REPORTS**

A. Personnel - nothing to report

B. Finance– nothing to report

C. Policy and Planning - nothing to report

D. Facilities Committee - reviewed solar proposal(s): a) front-facing, b) rear-facing. The board is in favor with moving forward with the front-facing proposal, as it will have a six-year payback and will cover 100% of the utility costs of the building.

**9. OLD BUSINESS**

**10. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Program Proposal- supported by Board

B. Rooftop Solar Proposal – reviewed as part of the facilities committee report

**11. CORRESPONDENCE – none to report**

**12. OPEN DISCUSSION PERIOD – nothing**

**13. PUBLIC COMMENT**

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

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn by M. Ferrante, seconded by C. Tu at 7:36 PM