CRANBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Meeting Minutes

September 10, 2026, 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: On December 11, 2025 a notice for this meeting was sent to the Township Clerk and posted on the Library website. On January 5, 2026 a notice for this meeting was published in the Home News Tribune and Legal Ads page of the Cranbury Township website. The Township Clerk posts a twice monthly legal ad in the Home News Tribune that includes the website link to Cranbury Township's Legal Ads webpage as mandated by the State for the entire calendar year of 2026.
Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by M. Ferrante.

2. INTRODUCTIONS OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Michael Ferrante, President - Present Andre Mento, Trustee - Present
Fred Dennehy, Vice President - Present Melissa Edwards, Trustee - Excused
Michaele Kehrt, Secretary - Present Christoph Kimmich, Trustee - Present
Christine Tu, Treasurer - Excused
Casserly Shea, School Administrator's Representative - Present
Eman El-Badawi, Mayor's Representative - Present
Also present:
Brooke Basista, Director - Present
Abbey-Gayle Spencer, Recording Secretary - Present
Emily Kostic, Foundation Representative - Present

3. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Action on minutes from 8/13/26 moved by F. Dennehy, seconded by M. Kehrt. A. Mento abstained; the motion was approved by the remaining trustees.
B. Action on Bills from month end 8/31/26 moved by M. Kehrt, seconded by A. Mento, unanimously approved.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed.

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT: President

M. Ferrante gave his report on the upcoming New Neighbor Reception and Cranbury Day.

6. DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Director

B. Basista gave her report. The Technology and Adult Services Coordinator, Dean Klimek, was featured on the LibraryLinkNJ website for his participation in the AI Ambassadors program.

7. REPRESENTATIVES' REPORTS

A. Mayor's Rep - E. El-Badawi gave her report.
B. School Administrator/Rep - C. Shea gave her report.
C. Cranbury Public Library Foundation Rep - E. Kostic gave the Foundation report.

8. TRUSTEE COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Personnel: Chair - Michaele Kehrt, Melissa Edwards - No Report.
B. Finance: Chair - Christine Tu, Andre Mento - No Report.
C. Policy and Planning: Chair - Fred Dennehy, Michaele Kehrt, Christoph Kimmich, Melissa Edwards - The revised Circulation Policy was presented for Board review and approval.
Moved by A. Mento, seconded by C. Shea, unanimously approved.
D. Facilities Committee: Chair - Andre Mento, Michael Ferrante - No Report.

9. OLD BUSINESS: None.

10. NEW BUSINESS: None.

11. OPEN DISCUSSION PERIOD

The Board discussed trustee training requirements and public-comment guidelines.

12. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments shall be reserved for Cranbury Township residents and limited to 3 minutes. No public comment was recorded.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by F. Dennehy, seconded by A. Mento, unanimously approved at 7:32 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.