

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Pearl River Public Library was held at the library on September 26, 2023.

Present were President William Morris, Vice President Irene D'Anna, Trustee Michael McCue, Trustee Eric Sharrin, Trustee Jeannine Clark, Director Eugenia Schatoff, Treasurer Magda Parvulescu and Senior Account Clerk Debra McDermott

CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Morris called the meeting to order at 7:15pm.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments.

SPECIAL GUESTS

Maeve McGee is going for her Girl Scout Silver Award. Her project will include partnering with the library by using books that are being discarded for a free give a book take a book "library" in the Cherrybrook Park.

PERSONNEL

- a) Resolution to appoint Alicia Vonderhorst to Full Time Library Assistant. A motion to accept was made by Vice President D'Anna and seconded by President Morris. The board voted 5 – 0 to approve.
- b) Resolution to appoint Nicole Morrissey to Full Time Library Aide. A motion to accept was made by Vice President D'Anna and seconded by President Morris. The board voted 5-0 to approve.

MINUTES

- a) Meeting of August 21, 2023. A motion to accept was made by Trustee Clark and seconded by Trustee McCue. The board voted 5-0 to approve.
- b) Special Meeting of September 11, 2023. A motion to accept was made by President Morris and seconded by Trustee Clark. The board voted 4-0 to approve with one abstention.
- c) Building & Grounds Meeting of September 11, 2023. A motion to accept was made by President Morris and seconded by Trustee McCue. The board voted 4-0 to approve with one abstention.
- d) Building & Grounds Meeting of September 18, 2023. A motion to accept was made by President Morris and seconded by Vice President D'Anna. The board voted 4-0 to approve with one abstention.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Board reviewed the Treasurer's Report, Balance Sheets, Actual Cash Flow Spreadsheets for August 2023, and the List of Warrants for September 2023.

On a motion by Trustee Clark and seconded by President Morris, the board voted 5-0 to approve.

STATISTICAL REPORTS

The Statistical Reports for August 2023 were noted.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Schatoff had nothing additional to report except that there have been fewer incidents.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a) Finance Committee:
 - Recommended that the Policy Committee review the Investment Policy.
 - Resolution to join NYLAF (New York Liquid Asset Fund) to invest a portion of library funds. A motion to accept the resolution was made by Trustee Sharrin and seconded by Vice President D'Anna. The Board Voted 5 – 0 to approve.
- b) Buildings & Grounds:
 - Met 3 times in the past month. Collier Construction is recommending for the health and comfort of staff and patrons, that the library relocate all services during the renovation. At the next meeting Lothrop will present 100% design development.
- c) Policy
 - Investigated a Book Challenge request.
- d) Personnel – No meeting

NEW BUSINESS

On a motion by Vice President D'Anna and seconded by Trustee Clark, the board vote 5-0 to appoint Dan McGuire as a trustee through June 30, 2024.

CORRESPONDENCE

Trustee McCue received an email from the New York Library Association letting him know that Director Eugenia Schatoff had won the Library Director of the year award. This will be presented at the annual state conference in November 2023 and comes with a \$1,500.00 prize for the library – to be used for staff development.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On a motion by Trustee Sharrin and seconded by President Morris the board voted 5-0 to go into Executive session at 7:50pm.

On a motion by President Morris and seconded by Trustee Sharrin the board voted 5-0 to leave Executive Session at 7:57pm.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion by President Morris and seconded by Trustee McCue the board voted 5-0 to end the meeting at 7:58pm.

The next regular meeting will be October 23, 2024.

Submitted by Debra McDermott