

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
Bloomingdale Free Public Library  
Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees  
August 12, 2024**

The meeting was called to order by Thomas Kroncke at 7:18pm. He announced that the meeting was in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act. In attendance were Trustees Elizabeth Ford, Kelly Graziano, Karen Kirby, Thomas Kroncke, and Patrick Thornton. Also in attendance was Alexandra DeCesare (Library Director). Robert Bloodgood, Jennifer Ellis, Ed Simoni, and Debbie Sondermeyer were excused.

**Minutes of Prior Regular Meeting** – A motion was made to approve the minutes by Patrick Thornton, seconded by Liz Ford. All trustees were in favor.

**Public Comment** – A motion to open Public Comment was made by Thomas Kroncke, seconded by Karen Kirby. With no member of the public coming forth a motion to close was made by Thomas Kroncke, seconded by Karen Kirby. All trustees were in favor.

**Treasurer’s Report / State Aid Report** – The reports for July were presented by Karen Kirby. A motion to approve the reports was made by Patrick Thornton, seconded by Liz Ford. In a voice call vote all trustees were in favor.

**Purchase Order Report -**

The report for July was presented by Allie DeCesare. A motion to approve the report was made by Karen Kirby, seconded by Patrick Thornton. In a roll call vote all trustees were in favor.

**Collection Statistics Report / Budget Report -** The reports for July were presented by Allie DeCesare. A motion to approve the reports was made by Liz Ford, seconded by Patrick Thornton. In a voice call vote all trustees were in favor.

**Library Director’s Report, Children’s Program Report, Adult Program Report, Literacy Program Report** – The reports were presented by Allie DeCesare. A motion to approve the reports was made by Liz Ford, seconded by Patrick Thornton. In a voice vote all trustees were in favor.

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**Committee Reports:**

**Budget Committee** – No report

**Policies and Procedures Committee** – Allie DeCesare reported that the “unsupervised minor” policy will be presented in September.

**Public Relations Committee** – No report

**Grants and Funding Committee** – No report

**Board of Education Committee** – No report

**Literacy Foundation** – No report

**Unfinished Business and General Orders** – None

**New Business** – 1. Allie DeCesare reported that there is to be an event for “Summer Reading” finale. A motion was made by Karen Kirby and seconded by Patrick Thornton to use “Retro FroYo” for a closed event Summer Reading Party at a cost of \$350. In a roll call vote all trustees were in favor. 2. Allie DeCesare discussed upgrades for the library. A motion was made by Patrick Thornton and seconded by Karen Kirby to upgrade 4 office chairs, purchase 2 privacy screens, and a double sided mobile book display for a cost of \$545.49. In a roll call vote all trustees were in favor.

**Public Session** – A motion to open Public Session was made at 8:00pm by Thomas Kroncke, seconded by Kelly Graziano. With no member of the public coming forward, a motion was made to close Public Session was made by Thomas Kroncke, seconded by Kelly Graziano. In a voice vote all trustees were in favor.

**Adjournment** - A motion to adjourn was made at 8:00pm by Thomas Kroncke, seconded by Liz Ford. In a voice vote all trustees were in favor.

Submitted by Thomas Kroncke