

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Bloomingdale Free Public Library
Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
February 10, 2025**

The meeting was called to order by Elizabeth Ford at 7:01pm. She announced that the meeting was in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act. In attendance were Trustees Robert Bloodgood, Elizabeth Ford, Kelly Graziano, Karen Kirby, Jenniffer Hagin, Deanne Martini, and Mary Ellen Gerrity. Thomas Kroncke was excused. Also in attendance was Alexandra DeCesare (Library Director), and Evelyn Schubert (Council Liaison).

Robert Bloodgood administered the Oath of Office to Mary Ellen Gerrity.

Minutes of Prior Regular Meeting – A motion was made to approve the minutes by Robert Bloodgood, seconded by Karen Kirby. All trustees were in favor. Mary Ellen Gerrity abstained.

Public Comment – A motion to open Public Comment was made by Robert Bloodgood, seconded by Deanne Martini. With no member of the public coming forth a motion to close was made by Robert Bloodgood, seconded by Deanne Martini. All trustees were in favor.

Treasurer's Report / State Aid Report – The report for January was presented by Karen Kirby. This will be revisited in March as technological difficulties prevented the completion of the reports. A motion to approve the reports was made by Robert Bloodgood, seconded Jenniffer Hagin. In a voice call vote all Trustees were in favor.

Purchase Order/Budget Reports - The reports for January were presented by Allie DeCesare. A motion to approve the reports was made by Robert Bloodgood, seconded by Deanne Martini. In a roll call vote all trustees were in favor.

Collection Statistics Report, 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 Jenniffer Hagin, seconded by Karen Kirby. In a voice vote all trustees were in favor.

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Committee Reports: Elizabeth Ford called for adding new members to existing committees.

Budget Committee – No Report

Policies and Procedures Committee – No report

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 – Allie DeCesare proposed two new programs: Howling Woods and a guided painting program for adults. All trustees were in favor.

Closed Session – Elizabeth Ford made a motion to close the meeting to the public, seconded by Robert Bloodgood. All trustees were in favor. Upon completion of the closed session, Elizabeth Ford made a motion to reopen the meeting, seconded by Robert Bloodgood. All trustees were in favor.

Public Session – A motion to open Public Session was made at 8:52pm by Robert Bloodgood, seconded by Kelly Graziano. With no member of the public coming forward, a motion was made to close Public Session was made by Robert Bloodgood seconded by Kelly Graziano. In a voice vote all trustees were in favor.

Adjournment - A motion to adjourn was made at 8:56pm by Robert Bloodgood, seconded by Jenniffer Hagin. In a voice vote all trustees were in favor.

Submitted by Alexandra DeCesare