

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Bloomingdale Free Public Library
Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees January 12, 2025**

Oaths of Office:

Sara Garden
Laurie Martinka
Mary Ellen Garrity
Mary Wescott
Andrea Albrecht

The meeting was called to order by Alexandra DeCesare at 7:07pm. She announced that the meeting was in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act.

In attendance were Trustees: Deanne Martini, Mary Ellen Garrity, Sara Garden, Andrea Albrecht, Kelly Graziano, Laurie Martinka and Mary Westcott. Council Liaison Jenniffer Hagin and Library Director Allie DeCesare were also in attendance.

Elizabeth Ford was excused.

Roll Call of Members: 7:08pm done

Nomination of Officers:

Liz Ford - President
Kelly Graziano - Vice President
Mary Westcott - Treasurer
Sara Garden - Secretary

Unanimously approved by voice vote.

Meeting handed over to Kelly Graziano.

Minutes of Prior Regular Meeting – A motion was made to approve the November 2025 minutes by Mary Ellen Garrity seconded by Andrea Albrecht . All trustees were in favor.

Public Comment – A motion to open & with no one present to close Public Comment was made by Sara Garden, seconded by Deanne Martini. All trustees were in favor.

Treasurer's Report / State Aid Report

The Treasurer and State Aid reports for December were presented by Allie DeCesare .

Motion to approve was made by Andrea Albrecht , seconded by Mary Ellen Garrity. In a Roll Call Vote all trustees were in favor.

Purchase Order / Budget:

The Purchase Order and Budget reports for December were presented by Allie DeCesare .

Motion to approve was made by Sara Garden, seconded by Laurie Martinka. In a Roll Call Vote all trustees were in favor.

Collection Statistics / Library Directors Report:

The reports for December were presented by Allie DeCesare. A motion to approve with changes was made by Mary Ellen Garrity, seconded by Deanne Martini .

Committee Reports:

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:

1. Museum Passes - will circulate policy and we will discuss at February meeting

New Business:

1. Resolution to make Mary Westcott Treasurer as of January 1, 2026.

Motion to open public comment, Deanna Martini, Second by Laurie Martinka.

Motion to Close Public Comment by Laurie Martinka, Second by Andrea Albrecht.

Motion to approve resolution by Sara Garden, second by Laurie Martinka.

In a Roll Call vote all approved.

Public Session – A motion to open Public Session at 7:49pm was made by Deanne Martini seconded by Laurie Marinka. Motion to close public comment at 8:00pm by Andrea Albrecht, seconded by Laurie Martrinka. All approved.

Adjournment - A motion to adjourn was made at 8:01pm by Mary Ellen Garrity seconded by Laurie Martinka. In a voice vote all trustees were in favor.

Submitted by Sara Garden