

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting
Bloomingdale Free Public Library
Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees
January 10, 2022**

The meeting was called to order by Robert Bloodgood at 7:02pm. He announced that the meeting was in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act. In attendance were Trustees Robert Bloodgood, Jennifer Ellis, Karen Kirby, Thomas Kroncke, and Karen Peterson. Also in attendance were Patti Perugino (Library Director) and Evelyn Schubert (Council Liaison). Kelly Graziano, Debbie Sondermeyer, and Eliza Strawbridge were excused. Ed Simoni arrived late and was sworn in at the end of the meeting.

Oath of Office – Robert Bloodgood administered the Oath of Office to Karen Peterson.

Nomination of Officers – A motion to nominate Robert Bloodgood as President was made by Thomas Kroncke and seconded by Jennifer Ellis. In a roll call vote all Trustees were in favor.

A motion to nominate Jennifer Ellis as Vice President was made by Thomas Kroncke and seconded by Robert Bloodgood. In a roll call vote all Trustees were in favor.

A motion to nominate Karen Kirby as Treasurer was made by Thomas Kroncke and seconded by Jennifer Ellis. In a roll call vote all Trustees were in favor.

A motion to nominate Thomas Kroncke as Secretary was made by Robert Bloodgood and seconded by Karen Kirby. In a roll call vote all Trustees were in favor.

New Business – 1. Al Allegrino, DPW, Retirement Thank You – Robert Bloodgood offered “Thank you for your service to the Library” to Al. Patti Perugino read a congratulations letter of thanks to Al which included many examples of his dedication to the Library.

Minutes of Prior Regular Meeting – A motion was made to approve the minutes by Karen Kirby, seconded by Jennifer Ellis. All trustees were in favor.

Public Comment – A motion to open Public Comment was made by Thomas Kroncke, seconded by Jennifer Ellis.

Evelyn Schubert inquired about the Library’s participation with the Public Schools. Patti Perugino replied that the Library is close with the Schools and cited example such as; but, not limited to Kindergarten trip to the Library with completion of Library Card registration, in classroom Story Time Readings, Reading Help, and Summer Reading preparation and completion.

A motion to close was made by Thomas Kroncke, seconded by Jennifer Ellis. All trustees were in favor.

Treasurer’s Report / State Aid Report – The reports for November and December were presented by Karen Kirby. A motion to approve the reports was made by Thomas Kroncke, seconded by Jennifer Ellis. In a roll call vote all trustees were in favor.

Purchase Order Report / Budget Report – The reports for December were presented by Patti Perugino. A motion to approve the reports was made by Thomas Kroncke, seconded by Jennifer Ellis. In a roll call vote all trustees were in favor.

Overdues Report – 4th Quarter 2021 and Petty Cash Report – 4th Quarter 2021 - The reports were presented by Patti Perugino. A motion to approve the reports was made by Thomas Kroncke, seconded by Jennifer Ellis. In a roll call vote all trustees were in favor.

Collection Statistics Report - The report for December was presented by Patti Perugino. A motion to approve the reports was made by Thomas Kroncke, seconded by Karen Kirby. In a voice call vote all trustees were in favor.

Library Director’s Report, Children’s Program Report, and Adult Program Report – The reports were presented by Patti Perugino. A motion to approve the reports was made by Thomas Kroncke, seconded by Karen Kirby. In a voice vote all trustees were in favor.

Literacy Program Report, and Language Program Report – No Reports

Committee Reports:

Budget Committee – Kelly Graziano was added to the Committee.

Policies and Procedures Committee – Ed Simoni was added to the Committee.

Public Relations Committee – No Report

Grants and Funding Committee – No Report

Board of Education Committee – No Report

Literacy Foundation – The Foundation is collecting for the local shelter.

Unfinished Business and General Orders – None

New Business – Al Allegrino, DPW, Retirement Thank You – See above

Public Session – A motion to open Public Session was made at 7:50pm by Thomas Kroncke, seconded by Karen Kirby. Evelyn Schubert inquired about the Library’s participation in holidays such as MLK Day, President’s Day, and Cinco De Mayo. Patti Perugino and Thomas Kroncke replied that the Children’s Programming Coordinator includes all holidays and celebrations in Story Time and Library displays. Evelyn Schubert inquired about the Library’s Senior Collection regarding items such as gardening, history, and health. Patti Perugino and Robert Bloodgood replied that the Library has and displays materials both in the Library and in the Display Cases and that the Library hosts programs concerning many Senior needs and interests.

A motion was made to close Public Session was made by Thomas Kroncke, seconded by Karen Kirby. In a voice vote all trustees were in favor.

Adjournment - A motion to adjourn was made at 8:02pm by Robert Bloodgood, seconded by Thomas Kroncke. In a voice vote all trustees were in favor.

Submitted by Thomas Kroncke