

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting  
Bloomingdale Free Public Library  
Regular Meeting of Board of Trustees  
October 21, 2024**

The meeting was called to order by Ed Simoni at 7:17pm. He announced that the meeting was in compliance with the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act. In attendance were Trustees Robert Bloodgood, Jennifer Ellis, Elizabeth Ford, Kelly Graziano, Karen Kirby, Thomas Kroncke, Ed Simoni, and Debbie Sondermeyer. Also in attendance was Alexandra DeCesare (Library Director), and Evelyn Schubert (Council Liaison). Patrick Thornton was excused.

**Minutes of Prior Regular Meeting** – A motion was made to approve the minutes by Karen Kirby, seconded by Debbie Sondermeyer. All trustees were in favor. Liz Ford abstained.

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

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

**Collection Statistics Report / Budget Report -** The reports for September were presented by Allie DeCesare. 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, Adult Program Report, Literacy Program Report** – The reports were presented by Allie DeCesare. A motion to approve the reports was made by Thomas Kroncke, seconded by Karen Kirby. In a voice vote all trustees were in favor.

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**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 and General Orders** – None

**New Business – 1.** Allie DeCesare reported about Category 2 Funding. A motion was made by Thomas Kroncke and seconded by Debbie Sondermeyer to approve the Category 2 Funding (equipment, maintenance, licensing, and Meraki) at \$2,963.16. In a roll call vote all trustees were in favor.

2. Allie DeCesare reported about a “giving week” program. A motion was made by Karen Kirby and seconded by Liz Ford to pay Laurie Kellogg, not to exceed, \$275 to provide an adult “giving work” program. In a roll call vote all trustees were in favor.

**Public Session** – A motion to open Public Session was made at 8:17pm by Thomas Kroncke, seconded by Debbie Sondermeyer. With no member of the public coming forward, a motion was made to close Public Session was made by Thomas Kroncke, seconded by Debbie Sondermeyer. In a voice vote all trustees were in favor.

**Adjournment** - A motion to adjourn was made at 8:17pm by Robert Bloodgood, seconded by Thomas Kroncke. In a voice vote all trustees were in favor.

Submitted by Thomas Kroncke