

Plattekill Public Library
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
April 10, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: William Farrell, President; Joseph Egan, Vice President; John Reynolds, Trustee; Jasmine Vazquez; Trustee; David Padilla, Trustee; Betty Diorio, Trustee; Darren Lanspery, Director; Mayleen Torres-Rivera, Bookkeeper; Donna Ebanks, Secretary

Excused: Mark Cambalik, Trustee

Guest: Stuart Auchincloss – MHLS Board member

Correspondence: None

Public Comment:

Board President Will Farrell welcomed Mid-Hudson Library System Trustee Stuart Auchincloss who spoke on the following topics:

- Services that MHLS provides to member libraries such as technology assistance and transporting of interlibrary loans
- Trustee education that is provided by MHLS online through Niche Academy
- Review of the construction grant process
- How state aid for libraries is distributed
- Explanation of the updated MOU between member libraries and MHLS

Stuart Auchincloss left the meeting at 7:30 pm.

Financial Report:

The Treasurer's report was read and discussed.

- Motion to approve the March 2024 payroll was made by D. Padilla and seconded by J. Egan. All were in favor: motion passed.
- Motion to approve the checks pending audit was made by D. Padilla and seconded by J. Vazquez. All were in favor: motion passed.
- Motion to approve the following recommended transfers from the savings account: \$2,000 to the M&T debit card account; \$10,000 to the general checking account; and \$20,000 to the payroll account; was made by J. Reynolds and seconded by D. Padilla. All were in favor: motion passed.

Secretary's Report:

- Motion to accept the March 13, 2024, Regular Board Meeting minutes was made by D. Padilla and seconded by J. Egan. All were in favor: motion passed.

Director's Report:

The Director's report was read and discussed.

- Several trees behind the library's ball field were cut down
- Electronic sign rebid has been posted and the deadline for submissions is May 1 at 2 pm
- RFP documents for the building expansion have been received from two architects

- Wallkill Little League will be using the baseball field behind the library three nights a week until mid-May
- Two grants awards were received: Stewart's Shops Holiday Match Grant for \$850 and Adirondack Mountain Club Grant for \$448
- Digital Navigators has been completed and the final check for \$500 was received
- Library's Solar Eclipse program was very well attended

Committee Reports:

- The Policy Committee met on March 25 to review the Challenged Materials and Trustee Education policies. Committee Chair David Padilla noted there were no recommended changes to the Challenged Materials policy. The Board discussed the Trustee Education Policy.
- Plans and Operations Committee met on March 28; W. Farrell briefed the Board in the absence of Committee Chair M. Cambalik

→ Motion to accept the Trustee Education Policy as written was made by J. Egan and seconded by J. Reynolds. All were in favor: motion passed.

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

The Board discussed the new MHLS Memo of Understanding

→ Motion to accept the new Mid-Hudson Library System Memorandum of Understanding was made by J. Egan and seconded by J. Reynolds. All were in favor: motion passed.

Adjournment: → Motion to adjourn at 8:47 pm was made by D. Padilla.

Respectfully submitted by:

Board Secretary

Donna Ebanks