

MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
GREECE PUBLIC LIBRARY
Thursday, December 14, 2023

PRESENT:

Anthony Wechsler, President
Jamie Anthony, Finance Officer
Calli Marianetti, Vice President
Sue Snyder
Charles DeCamilla
Keith Suhr, Town Historian
Cathy Henderson, Library Director
Jeanette Rohr, Library Assistant
Jon Natale, Finance

EXCUSED:

Michelle Marini, Town Liaison and Deputy Supervisor

President A. Wechsler called the meeting to order at 4:31 pm.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: C. Marianetti moved to adopt the agenda, C. DeCamilla seconded, and the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF PRIOR MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: K. Suhr moved to adopt the approval of the minutes of the meeting November 9, 2023; C. DeCamilla seconded, and the motion carried with C. Marianetti and S. Snyder abstaining.

PUBLIC EXPRESSION

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Wechsler thanked the Library Board Trustees for a wonderful year and wished good tidings to all.

GREECE PUBLIC LIBRARY GIFT FUND REPORT

J. Anthony reviewed and answered questions regarding the Greece Public Library Gift Fund Report for the period of November 1 – November 30, 2023.

MOTION: C. Marianetti moved to accept the Greece Public Library Gift Fund Report as submitted; S. Snyder seconded, and the motion carried.

REVENUE/EXPENSE REPORT

J. Anthony reviewed and answered questions regarding the Greece Public Library Revenue and Expense Report for the period of November 1 – November 30, 2023.

MOTION: K. Suhr moved to accept the Revenue/Expense Report as submitted, C. Marianetti seconded, and the motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

No questions.

C. Henderson reported on her advocacy meeting with J. Jensen, citing his support and proposal to “tell the story” of library funding with statistical evidence and Library Impact Stories.

TOWN LIAISON REPORT

None

NEW BUSINESS

NB#1 – ADOPT 2024 LIBRARY OPERATING BUDGET

John Natale from Town Finance was available to answer any questions relating to the 2024 Library Operating Budget.

MOTION: A. Wechsler introduced a motion to adopt the 2024 Budget as submitted. K. Suhr moved to accept the motion, C. DeCamilla seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

NB#2 – APPROVE LIBRARY CLOSED DATES FOR 2024

C. Henderson reiterated the one change to the pre-read document, that she had obtained permission from the Town to close at 1 pm on Monday, December 24, 2024.

MOTION: A. Wechsler introduced a motion to accept the Library Closed Dates as submitted. C. Marianetti moved to accept the motion, S.Snyder seconded, and the motion carried.

NB#3 – APPROVE LIBRARY BOARD MEETING DATES FOR 2024

C. Henderson noted one error to the submitted Library Board Meeting dates and amended that date.

MOTION: A. Wechsler entered a motion to approve the Library Board Meeting dates with the amendment. S. Snyder moved to accept the motion, C. Marianetti seconded, and the motion carried.

NB#4 – ACCEPTANCE AND APPROVAL OF 2024 LEGISLATIVE GRANT IN AID FUNDS

MOTION: A. Wechsler entered a motion to approve and accept the Legislative Grant Aid in Funds. C. Marianetti moved to accept the motion, K. Suhr seconded, and the motion carried.

NB#5 – UPDATED HANDBOOK FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEES OF NYS

C. Henderson presented updated handbook copies to all Board Members.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

OTHER BUSINESS

MOTION: A. Wechsler introduced a motion to add the approval and adoption of the Nominating Committee's proposal to the Agenda as Other Business. K. Suhr moved to accept the motion, C. DeCamilla seconded, and the motion carried.

K. Suhr offered the proposal of the nominating committee as follows: A. Wechsler as President, C. Marianetti as Vice President, S. Snyder as Finance Officer.

MOTION: A. Wechsler entered a motion to accept and approve the proposal of the Nominating Committee. C. Marianetti moved to accept the motion, DeCamilla seconded, and the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF BILLS FOR PAYMENT

J. Anthony reviewed and answered questions regarding specific expenditures for the period of November 1 – November 30, 2023.

MOTION: C. Marianetti moved to approve the list of payables as presented, S. Snyder seconded, and the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: C. Marianetti moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:46 pm. C. DeCamilla seconded, and the motion carried.

Minutes submitted by Jeanette Rohr, Recording Secretary

Approved by Greece Public Library Board at their 01-11-24 meeting