

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees  
Town of Pelham Public Library  
530 Colonial Avenue  
Pelham, New York 10803

The October 9, 2024, meeting was held at 7:30 pm, in person at the Library.

**Trustees Present:** Paul Tapogna, Matthew Kane, Michelle Dvorkin, Robert Gimigliano, Nadira Boodhoo, Amie Hughes, Judy Shampnier, Lisa Robb, Andrew Pierpont

**Absent:** Jennifer Meyer

**Others Present:** Augusta Turner, Library Director; Maura Curtin, Town Liaison

**RG called the meeting to order at 7:33 pm.**

### **Minutes**

- **Action Item:** Approve September 18, 2024 meeting minutes. AH moved, PT seconded. Passed unanimously with JS, LR, and AP abstaining.

### **Finance Committee**

- Financials for September presented by NB
  - **Action Item:** Accept financials as of September 30, 2024. MD moved, AH seconded. Passed unanimously.

### **Friends' Liaison Report**

- Presented by JS
  - Booktemberfest was a success. It was very well-received by the community. AH will send a letter of thanks to the Friends on behalf of the Board

### **Policy Committee**

- Presented by JS
  - Reminders about deadlines and forms for Conflict of Interest, Sexual Harassment Prevention Training, and Library Trustee Education Training.

### **Buildings and Grounds Report**

- Presented by RG during the Finance Committee report
  - There have been security incidents at the Library recently, prompting the need to add additional security cameras to the perimeter of the building and possibly upgrade the interior cameras.
  - **Action Item:** Authorize the Building and Grounds Committee and its chair PT to approve spending up to \$10,000 for improvements to the security system after procuring three bids for the work. LR moved, JS seconded. Passed unanimously.

### **President's Report**

- Presented by RG
  - Formal introduction of Andrew Pierpont to the Board of Trustees

## **Capital Campaign**

- Presented by PT
  - Architect Selection Committee
    - RFP is drafted and is being reviewed by the Committee
    - The Committee is working on compiling a list of potential architectural firms to approach.

## **Director's Report**

- Presented by AT
  - K-Day was a huge success
    - More than half of the 210 kindergartners in the PUFSD registered for library cards
  - Upcoming programs
    - National Park Service talk on the founding of San Francisco
    - Ecopel on invasive plant removal and identification
    - Chess for Teens
    - Demystifying Medicare
    - Canine Story Time – Emerging readers share stories with a therapy dog.

## **New Business**

- The board is recruiting for the open Trustee position.

## **Adjournment at 8:51 pm by RG**

Next Meeting: The next regular meeting of the Town of Pelham Public Library Board of Trustees will be held on Wednesday, November 6, 2024, at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Matthew Kane