

**FINKELSTEIN MEMORIAL LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING/DECEMBER 20,2023
MINUTES**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees was held both in person and by video conference on Wednesday, December 20, 2023. The meeting was recorded in accordance with law.

Mr. Alexandre called the meeting to order at 6:32pm with the following members present:

Mr. Denet Alexandre, Presiding
Ms. Vivian Street, Vice President
Ms. Joan Soskin, Secretary
Mr. James Johnson
Ms. Darnett E. Davis

Administrative Personnel Present:

Ms. Laura Wolven, Library Director
Ms. Beth Zambito, Assistant Library Director (zoom)
Mr. Andrew Koblick, Business Manager
Ms. Leah Levine, Library Clerk

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Others Present: (zoom)

Susanne Daley, Union President
Elizabeth Portillo, Staff
Kathleen Preston, Staff
Judy Joseph, Staff
Parveen Rahmet, Staff
Paul Gubernick, Staff
Robert Rowe, Staff
Abigail Toral, Staff
Fabien, (Last name not provided)

President's Report- Mr. Alexandre stated there was nothing special to report.

A **motion** was made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Street and carried to **approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 29, 2023.**

A **motion** was made by Ms. Street, seconded by Ms. Davis and carried to **approve the bill list for December 2023.**

A **motion** was made by Ms. Street, seconded by Ms. Davis and carried to **approve the Financial Reports for November 2023.**

RESOLUTION

A **motion** was made by Ms. Davis, seconded by Ms. Street and carried to **approve the proposed Library Budget Vote and Trustee Election on April 2, 2024 for a tax levy in the amount of \$9,026,767 .**

– See Resolution.

Library Statistical Report- The statistical report for November 2023 will be filed.

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Library Director's Report- Report was presented. Ms. Davis commented on seeing the Youth Services Department at events and complimented the youth outreach programs. Mr. Johnson also commented on seeing the Library at events and complimented the staff.

Union Representative Report- Ms. Susanne Daley, Union President stated the Union and Director arranged a meeting, and are working on current policies within the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Public Comment: None

Correspondence Received: Youth Services Department received an email of appreciation from the Family Resource Coordinator from the East Ramapo Central School District regarding the Breakfast with the Principal's event.

New Business:

A motion was made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Davis and carried to approve the posting of a Librarian I position, Technical Services Department, replacement of two (2) Permanent Part Time positions.

A motion was made by Ms. Soskin, seconded by Ms. Street and carried to move into executive session.

The board moved into executive session for personnel, and financial matters at 7:40 p.m.

Personnel, and financial matters were discussed.

A motion was made by Ms. Street, seconded by Ms. Soskin and carried to move out of executive session.

The board moved out of executive session at 8:21 p.m.

A motion was made by Ms. Street, seconded by Ms. Davis and carried to adjourn.

The meeting of the board of trustees was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WILL BE HELD AT 6:30 PM ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2024.

Respectfully submitted.



Joan Soskin

Secretary

(Notes taken by Leiah Levine)



Denet Alexandre

President, Board of Trustees