

**FINKELSTEIN MEMORIAL LIBRARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING/JANUARY 24,2024  
MINUTES**

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees was held both in person and by video conference on Wednesday, January 24, 2024. The meeting was recorded in accordance with law.

Mr. Alexandre called the meeting to order at 6:40pm 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

**Others Present:**

Rodrigue Lustin, Treasurer  
Susanne Daley, Union President (zoom)  
Elizabeth Portillo, Staff (zoom)  
Kathleen Preston, Staff (zoom)  
Judy Joseph, Staff (zoom)  
Parveen Rahmet, Staff (zoom)  
Robert Rowe, Staff (zoom)  
Abigail Toral, Staff (zoom)  
Chris Coleman, Staff (zoom)  
Jeff, (Last name not provided) (zoom)

**President's Report-** Mr. Alexandre stated there was nothing special to report, but wished a Happy New Year to all.

**A motion** was made by Ms. Street, seconded by Ms. Davis and carried to **approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 20, 2023.**

**A motion** was made by Ms. Soskin, seconded by Ms. Davis and carried to **approve the bill list for January 2024.**

**A motion** was made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Soskin and carried to **approve the Financial Reports for December 2023.**

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

**Library Director's Report-** Report was presented. Ms. Wolven discussed Legislative Lobby Day. She also announced a reminder for the annual Trustee workplace violence and sexual harassment prevention training. The Director also announced that the Open Meetings Law would be updated on July 1, 2024.

**Union Representative Report-** Ms. Susanne Daley, Union President voiced concerns about Custodial apparel and specific footwear for Staff safety. She also addressed Union Memorandum of Agreements that were discussed.

**Public Comment:** None

**Correspondence Received:** None

**New Business:**

A motion was made by Ms. Street, seconded by Ms. Davis and carried to approve the appointment of Carly Campos, Librarian I, Youth Services Department, effective January 8, 2024.

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

The board moved into executive session for personnel, legal and Union matters at 7:28 p.m.

Personnel, legal and Union 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 8:59 p.m.

A motion was made by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Ms. Davis and carried to amend the 2024 Library Budget Vote and Trustee Election from April 2, 2024 to March 19, 2024.

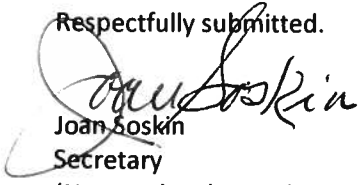
A motion was made by Ms. Street, seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried to approve the Human Rights Satellite office pending the review of the Library Attorney.

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 9:20 p.m.

**THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES WILL BE HELD AT 6:30 PM ON WEDNESDAY, February 28, 2024.**

Respectfully submitted.



Joan Soskin

Secretary

(Notes taken by Leah Levine)

Denet Alexandre  
President, Board of Trustees