

**The Nyack Library**  
**Minutes of the Regular**  
**Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**Monday, January 10, 2022**

**Present:**

E. Michael Growney, **President**  
Ellyse Okin Berg, **Vice President**  
Brian Murrell, **Treasurer**  
Wayne Henry, **Secretary**  
Steven Cea  
Tracy Dressner  
Michael Penn  
Roger Seiler  
Bebb Wheeler Stone  
Valerie Williams-Sanchez

**Absent:**

Peter Danish

**\*=Excused**

**Staff:** Angela Strong, Library Director  
Sharon Alfano, Business Manager  
Minerva Parker, Board Clerk

***Call to Order:***

The Board President Mr. Growney called the Regular Monthly Meeting of January 10, 2022, to order at 9:06 p.m., in the Community Meeting Room.

***Agenda Approval:***

**Upon motion** by Ms. Berg, seconded by Mr. Murrell, it was resolved to approve the agenda. The yes votes were unanimous 10-0.

***Review of the Minutes:***

**Upon motion** by Dr. Stone, seconded by Ms. Berg, it was resolved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 20, 2021, with a correction to Mr. Henry's name under the Inventory motion. There were 7 yes votes, 3 abstentions.

***Public Comments:***

None.

***Director's Report:***

Mrs. Strong reviewed highlights of the month with the Board. After the surge in community COVID cases Mrs. Strong decided to reduce the numbers of hours Staff are in the building working and limited the number of hours open to the public through the month January. The Building Condition Study continues.

The Valley Cottage Library's new Director is Christy Blanchette. Amelia Kalin retired on January 5, 2022.

Mrs. Strong prepared for the Trustee Vote and finalizing the Long-Range Plan.

**Personnel Actions: none.**

**Upon motion** by Mr. Henry, seconded by Mr. Murrell, the Board unanimously approved the Inventory Report. The yes vote, 10-0.

***Committee Reports:***

*Development Committee:*

**Upon motion** by Ms. Berg to accept the Gifts & Grants Report for December 2021, and seconded by Mr. Murrell, the Board resolved to accept with appreciation \$3,550 in Designated support to the Annual Appeal, \$50 in Designated support in memory of Jane Weiss and a \$3,000 grant from the American Library Association. The 2022 Annual Development Appeal total to date has brought in \$13,207 in donations. The yes vote was unanimous 10-0.

*Policy Development & Long-Range Planning Committee:*

No report.

*Building & Property Committee:*

No report.

*Personnel Committee:*

No report.

*Nominating Committee:*

No report.

*Audit Committee:*

No report.

*Finance Committee:*

No report.

***Financial Reports:***

*Treasurer's Report:*

Mr. Murrell reviewed the Treasurer's Report in detail with the Board. Cash balances at the end of December totaled \$2,667,552. Current Bond Status, \$6,979,584 in long term debt remaining on the 2017 tax-exempt bond with TD Bank. Mr. Murrell discussed the details of the monthly disbursements, which require Board approval. Current fiscal year-to-date the Library operated at a \$17,978 surplus and the DePew House operated at a \$4,723 surplus.

**Upon motion** by Mr. Murrell, seconded by Ms. Berg, the Library Board unanimously accepted the Financial Statements as presented including the Summary of Key Balance Sheet Amounts as of December 31, 2021 and the December 2021 Performance Report. The yes vote 10-0.

**Upon motion** by Mr. Murrell and seconded by Mr. Seiler, it was resolved that the Nyack Library Board of Trustees approve the following disbursements reported for December 2021 which have been reviewed by the President and/or the Vice President, Secretary and the Treasurer: General Fund Expenses of \$254,082.05, Rental Fund Expenses of \$3,920.04, Debt Fund Expenses for \$36,322.91, Payroll Disbursement for pay date December 3, 2021 for \$55,677.86, Payroll Disbursement for pay date December 17, 2021 for \$56,938.02 and Payroll Disbursement for pay date December 31, 2021 for \$56,269.91 for a total of \$463,210.79. The yes votes, 10-0.

***Old Business:***

**Upon motion** by Dr. Williams-Sanchez, seconded by Mr. Henry the Board accepted the Long-Range Plan 2022-2026. There were 9 yes votes, 1 abstention.

***New Business:***

Mrs. Strong announced January 20 is the Rotary Cocktails for Charity, via Zoom, proceeds to benefit the Library.

Mr. Growney welcomed Steven Cea and Tracy Dressner as members of Board, which are 3 year terms.

***Adjournment:***

**Upon motion** by Dr. Williams-Sanchez, seconded by Mr. Murrell, the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn at 9:44 pm. The yes vote 10-0.

Respectfully submitted,

*Minerva Parker*

Board Clerk