

SOMERVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING, April 12, 2023

Minutes

ATTENDING

TRUSTEES: Kate Van Sleet, Carla Lillvik, Janaki Perera, Lamia Mamoon, Ami Feldman, Mark Sternman

ABSENT: Peter Scheidler

GUESTS: Mike Smith, Bethany Doane

DIRECTOR: Cathy Piantigini

CALL TO ORDER

President Van Sleet called the meeting of the Library Board of Trustees to order at 6:04 pm.

MINUTES

Lamia Mamoon motioned to approve the minutes from the March 8, 2023, meeting; Carla Lilvik seconded, and the minutes were approved.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. Discussed recent patron incidents and library safety committee meetings.
2. Discussed building walk through to discuss building conditions.
3. Discussed staffing updates.
4. Discussed conversations with the Mayor's office about the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners (MBLC) library grant making process.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1. Discussed scheduling a future meeting with the Mayor's Office.
2. Discussed communicating with City Council regarding the MBLC grant making process. Carla Lilvik moved to provide information to City Council and invite them to view the library spaces. Janaki Perera seconded and the motion was approved.

COMMITTEES

Archives Committee: Committee reviewed annual reports and created an inventory of resources. City website updated the Trustee website information. There will be a reading day to review materials.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Trustees welcomed library employee Bethany Doane who works at reference and with special programs.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business and no objection, the President declared the meeting adjourned at 7:53 pm.

NEXT MEETING: The next regular meeting of the Trustees is scheduled to be held on May 10, 2023. The open meeting will take place in the Director's Office at the Central Branch Library.

April Kuehnhoff, Secretary