

3/12/26 at 6:15pm

Otto Bruyns Public Library Meeting Room, 241 W. Mill Road, Northfield 08225

This meeting was advertised in the Atlantic City Press and posted on the library website.

Present: President Jennifer Hale, Secretary Matt Mazzone, Carol Shaw, Vice President Gabrielle Lehne, Library Director Mia Fabi, Kevin Coopersmith, Kasey Shoemaker, Mayor Erland Chau, Cindy kern

Absent: Treasurer Stephanie Giordano, Denise Burt

Minutes/Correspondence: The meeting was called to order by President Jennifer Hale at 6:18 pm. Jennifer Hale made a motion to waive the reading of prior minutes for February 2026. Motion was seconded by __ Carol Shaw ____ . All in favor. No abstentions. Jennifer Hale made a motion to approve the minutes for February 2026. Motion was seconded by __ Carol Shaw ____ . All in favor. No abstentions.

Period for Public Expression:

None present.

President's Report:

- Financial disclosure review for all trustees from Shannon Cambell which is usually sent to your personal email. Believe its due in April – will be on the lookout for her email
- New Library email addresses - some aren't populating through cell phones, if you can please check manually on the computer from time to time.
- Double check the trustee hours for the NJ Library Trustee Association

Mayor's Report:

- The Wabash building property project will be for Veterans only and will include some Affordable Housing units.

NCS Superintendent's Report:

Kasey Shoemaker stated the below:

- Referendum construction project started on March 2nd – working on bathrooms currently
- Theater play production of Cinderella is next week from March 19th-22nd
- Board of education meeting was moved to March 24th – will be in cafeteria at 7:00PM
- Playground construction is set to start the week of April 6th over spring break

Friends of the Library:

- May 1st is a Mother's Day party
- Made \$464.50 at the bake sale
- Set up for the Book and Bake sale is March 19th but the sale is the 20th from 10-4 and the 21st from 10-3
- Next meeting is next Tuesday at 4:30PM at the library
- Will help with the Library 100th anniversary

Treasurer's Report: Stephanie Giordano was absent, so Mia shared the below:

Working Account: 5248

Current Balance - \$144,776.50

Capital Account: 5255

Current Balance - \$859.66

Debit Card Acct- 7994

Current Balance - \$256.14

Jennifer Hale made a motion to approve the bills from the Working account in the amount of \$29,016.10. Seconded by Mayor Erland Chau. All in favor. No abstentions.

Director's Report: Please refer to the following attachment Mia Fabi provided:

Topics of Discussion

- Clean slate issue with public computers
- Successful Aspen launch
- Bean stack challenge
- Mango Languages
- Library's 100th Birthday - permit is not needed if we were to utilize the outside parking lot area, we would like to set up an historical exhibit inside
- 4th of July Parade – get the library back into participating
- Legal Name: Trustees of the Free Library of Northfield
- Lawn sign proposal – Eagle scout project
- Automatic Door installation – look for 3 bids – then present to city
- Strategic plan draft

Mayor Chau was discussing solar panels and possibly adding panels in the library parking lot

Jennifer Hale made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:18PM. Seconded by Kevin Coopersmith. All in favor. No abstentions.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be on 4/09/26 at 6:15pm in the Library Community room via Zoom.

The meeting minutes were prepared by Matt Mazzone.