

Minutes of the Board of Trustees
Neptune Public Library
October 22, 2024

Library Board President read the "Compliance with Open Public Meeting Law" to the assembled group at the start of the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. by Board President Teretha Jones.

ROLL CALL

The following were in attendance: Bridget James –Ava Johnson-Teretha Jones –Fred Mayo- Meghan Plevier-and Torquato Tasso. Also in attendance were John Bonney Library Director and Amani Neptune Confidential Board Secretary. Connie King was excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Bridget James made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2024 meeting and it is seconded by Fred Mayo. All present were in favor, the motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

- The report was read by John Bonney.
- \$0.00 was paid on September 9th and \$27,406.63 was paid out of the Trust on September 23, 2024

A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Fred Mayo and seconded by Meghan Plevier. All present were in favor, the motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Personnel:** None
- **Budget:** None
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- **Building:** The library closed early for a few days in August due to some roof issues which were taken care of on those days.
- **Policies:** None
- **Outreach:** Meghan Plevier mentioned that the Early Childhood Advisory Council that meets in the library has been fruitful in their progress

Ms. Sharon Bell who is a Bilingual/ESL teacher in Neptune thanked the library for participating in The Read Conmigo program held at Midtown and look forward to next year's collaboration.

Old Business

- Neptune Day- Library staff participated and had a great time and received positive Feedback from the community about the library and its programs.
- Genealogy Talk One of our staff members will be working with the Senior Center on October 25,2024 doing a Genealogy Presentation/Breakfast titled "Using Ancestry to find your family Tree"

- Bookmobile -Spring of 2025 we hope to be up and running in the community.
- Adult Programming- Some upcoming programs are, Houseplants w/Rutgers Master Gardeners,
- Sand Hill Indian Presentation and a Basics Drawing Class in addition to the monthly books and Chess Clubs.
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New Business

- **AARP**

AARP will again provide free tax services to our community in the upcoming year. Estimated dates are February 5 to April 10 2024, Tuesdays and Thursdays.

- **Archive Update**

Former employee and Archive enthusiast Marian took some books that we had and donated them to the Monmouth county Archives where they would be utilized more since they were not Neptune related.

- **December Meeting**

The Next Board meeting will be December 10, 2024.

Consent Agenda

Teretha Jones read the following Resolutions

- Resolution #R4-24 Meeting Dates for 2025
- Resolution #R5-24 Approved Trustee Budget for 2025
- Resolution #R6-24 Salaries for 2025
- Resolution #R7-24 Holidays for 2025

Teretha Jones asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda. An offer was made by Torquato Tasso and seconded by Bridget James. The consent agenda passed.

Roll call done by Teretha Jones.

James: Aye Johnson: Abstain Jones: Aye King: Absent

Mayo: Aye Plevier: Aye Tasso: Aye

Trustee Comments-Meghan Plevier sends Kudos to the staff for their excellent programs and the event That the Library has been hosting.

Public Comments -None

Adjournment- Teretha Jones called for an adjournment at 5:13 pm. Meghan Plevier made a motion to adjourn, and it was seconded by Bridget James. All present were in favor, the motion passed.

