

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees
of the Bernards Township Library
March 11, 2009**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Tim Opremcak called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. in the Bernards Township Library Program Room B.

2. SUNSHINE LAW REMINDER

In accordance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Law of 1975, notice of the meeting was posted on the bulletin board in the Reception Hall of the Municipal Building, Collyer Lane, Basking Ridge and the Bernards Township Library Public Notices bulletin board; was mailed to *The Bernardsville News*, Bernardsville; was filed with the Township Clerk; and was posted on both the Township's website and the Library's website.

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Paul Bryan, Rima Khalil, Mary Jane McNally, Tim Opremcak, Tracy Redling, and Marie Schelfaut

Absent: Lois Bloom, Joan Graff, Carolyn Kelly

Also Present: Anne Meany and Ryan McCloskey

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no members of the public.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION 09-07 was made by Paul Bryan and seconded by Rima Khalil to approve the minutes of the February 25, 2009 meeting as written. The motion carried unanimously.

6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No report.

7. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Ms Meany reported that the Library's budget may be finalized by April.
- The Library was able to acquire some furniture from company that downsized saving approximately \$2,000.
- The Children's Department reported that 250 people participated in its "Pick Up" crafts program.
- Receipts from the Library's Book Sale books will go to the reserve fund not to Friends' account.
- Ms Meany encouraged trustees to attend the 2009 New Jersey State Library Trustee Institute May 9. The State Library will pay for one trustee and the Library will pay for any others.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Treasurer/Finance—Lois Bloom
Included in the Director's report.
- B. Friends of the Library Liaison—
Tracy Redling will attend the next meeting of the Friends, which will be in May. Board members agreed to rotate this responsibility.
- C. Land and Building—Rima Khalil
Repairs have been made to the rubber caps that edge the back stairs.
- D. Legislation—Mary Jane McNally
Assemblyman Prieto, the prime sponsor of A3753, has assured NJLA that he has no plans to proceed with this bill which would have reduced the required level of library funding.
- E. Long Range Planning—Paul Bryan
Paul reported shared preliminary thoughts on approaching long range planning. Some key areas to consideration are: reserve fund, technology, and usage patterns.
- F. Personnel—Joan Graff, Tim Opremcak
Included in the Director's report.
- G. Policy—Joan Graff
No report
- H. Programming—Joan Graff
Included in the Director's report.
- I. Township Committee Liaison—Carolyn Kelly
No report

9. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

10. NEW BUSINESS

Ryan McCluskey demonstrated some of the Library's newer services, including: Next Reads, LibraryInsight, TumbleBooks, and the Gale Virtual Reference Library. Particularly impressive is the way Ryan has been able to customize these products to better serve the public.

11. ADJOURNMENT

- **MOTION 09-08** was made by Rima Khalil and seconded by Tracy Redling to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.
- The next meeting of the Bernards Township Library Board of Trustees will be 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 15, 2009 in the Lower Level Conference Room of the Library.