

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees  
of the Bernards Township Library  
May 26, 2010**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

President Tim Opremcak called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m. in the Bernards Township Library Lower Level Conference Room

**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:** Lois Bloom, Paul Bryan, Rima Khalil, Mary Jane McNally, Tim Opremcak, Tracy Redling, Erica Studness, and Leslie Workman

**Absent:** Scott Spitzer

**Also Present:** Anne Meany

**4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOTION 10-11** was made by Rima Khalil and seconded by Paul Bryan to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2010 meeting as written. The motion carried unanimously.

**6. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

Included in Committee Reports

**7. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- The balance of the bequest from Dr. Hull's estate is on hold pending sale of the property.
- Architect Philip Kennedy-Grant submitted a sketch showing his ideas regarding the re-purposing of the former periodical room. He confirmed that a glass wall will be feasible.
- Museum passes will be available for circulation by the next Board meeting. Specific circulation terms will depend on each museum's policy.
- Anne attended the Book Expo in the Javits Center today. The exhibit was smaller than other years and Ebooks were prominently featured.
- Fratesi Masonry and General Contracting submitted the low and winning quote on the front column replacement. Work will start within a few weeks if weather permits.

**8. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**A. Treasurer/Finance—Lois Bloom**

Ms Bloom reported that the 2010 budget has been released and will probably be finalized soon.

Lois presented possible broad categories for use of bequests and reserve funds. She also asked the Board to consider a resolution establishing a capital expense plan and reserving funds. The resolution will be presented for a vote next month.

- B. Friends of the Library Liaison—  
The Friends had a presence at Charter Day, Saturday, May 15. Thanks go to Sandy Salvo for her efforts setting up the display and scheduling coverage.
- C. Land and Building—Rima Khalil  
Ms Khalil will meet with Suzan Globus of Globus Design Associates to discuss plans for the bathroom renovation.
- D. Legislation—Mary Jane McNally  
Ms McNally elaborated on the threats to library service that would come from the proposed budget cuts. Both Mary Jane and Anne Meany attended what was probably the final general membership meeting of the Highlands Regional Library Cooperative where Norma Blake, the State Librarian spoke on the latest news regarding the cuts to library service in the state's FY 2011 budget. Ms Blake reported that although all contact efforts are good, personal letters have a greater effect than emails or capwiz messages.
- E. Long Range Planning—Paul Bryan  
Paul Bryan and Tim Opremcak met with Ryan McCloskey to complete the preliminary requirements for the website redesign project.
- F. Personnel—Tim Opremcak  
No report.
- G. Policy—Leslie Workman  
No report.
- H. Programming—  
Leisure Learning, as popular as ever, has ended for the season. The Film Series and Friday Night Opera Series have been well-attended also.
- I. Township Committee Liaison—Scott Spitzer  
No report.

**9. OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old Business

**10. NEW BUSINESS**

There was no New Business

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

- **MOTION 10-12** was made by Lois Bloom and seconded by Tracy Redling to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.
- The next meeting of the Bernards Township Library Board of Trustees will be 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 30, 2010 in the Lower Level Conference Room of the Library