The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Bellmore Memorial Library was called to order on Wednesday, March 19 at 7:10 p.m.

Members present were Roberta Newman, Emily Schreiber, Karolyn Hertzberg, and member Wendy Forgash and Robert Botwin by Skype. Director Maureen Garvey was present, as was visitor Albert Coster from the C.P.A. firm of Baldessari and Coster, LLP and visitor Eileen Carroll.

The minutes of January 2014 were read. Minutes were accepted and approved unanimously on a motion by Emily Schreiber and seconded by Karolyn Hertzberg.

The Financial Reports for February and March 2014 were read and unanimously approved on a motion by Roberta Newman and seconded by Wendy Forgash. The bills for the months of February 2014 totaling $78,801.48 and for March 2014 totaling $67,576.25 were unanimously approved on a motion by Karolyn Hertzberg and seconded by Robert Botwin.
Payroll for the period ending January 2, 2014 was $51,093.56; for the period ending January 16, 2014, $50,961.90; for the period ending January 30, 2014, $49,684.51; for the period ending February 13, 2014, $51,329.71; and for the period ending February 27, 2014, $50,022.45.

The Director’s Report
The report was read, acknowledged and discussed. Project Hope gave the Library a quilt and a book. The organization held a reception at the Library to acknowledge all the community help and growth. Ms. Deborah DeGrassi held an exceptional and delightful Children’s Program in honor of the birthday of Dr. Seuss. Kudos to her and to all the staff who contributed to this wonderful program.

Old Business
There are two items from Old Business. They are AED and Tobacco Coalition of LI. These items have been tabled to meet the demand of time for the Library Auditor to present his report. They will be moved to the next meeting of the Board.
Mr. Albert Coster from Baldessari and Coster presented the Board with the latest audit, dated December 30, 2013. Several recommendations were discussed. It was decided that at the 2014 Reorganization Meeting the Board will discuss a motion that will allow bills to be paid before they are approved. Such bills, for example utility bills, will then be approved at the next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees.

A motion was made to accept the 2013 audit by Roberta Newman, seconded by Karolyn Hertzberg and unanimously approved.

Several items from New Business were tabled until the next meeting due to lack of time. They are: ethics policy, installation of an AED and the Tobacco Action Coalition of Long Island.

The letter from the BUFSD Board was read and discussed. This issue was also tabled until the next meeting for further discussion and advisement.

Executive Session

Executive Session was called at 8:20 to discuss personnel issues. The Board came out of Executive Session at 8:50.

Emily Schreiber made a motion to hire Elizabeth Carroll as a full-time clerk; the motion was seconded by Roberta Newman and approved unanimously.

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn by Emily Schreiber and seconded by Roberta Newman at 9:10 p.m.

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Wednesday, April 16, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

Karolyn Hertzberg
Secretary