The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Bellmore Memorial Library was called to order by President Robert Paz on May 17, 2017 at 7:14 p.m.

Members present were Robert Paz, Emily Schreiber, Roberta Newman and Wendy Forgash. Library Director Elaine Cummings-Young and Secretary to the Board Marie Simoneschi were also in attendance.

A donation was received from the family of Gloria Schwartz. They requested the donation be used to plant flowers on the library grounds. Director Elaine Cummings-Young sent a thank you letter to the Schwartz family. She advised them that the donation would be used for the garden area outside the Children’s room. The library hopes to involve Bellmore children in the planting of the flowers.

The Minutes of the April 18, 2017 Board meeting were read, amended and approved on a motion by Emily Schreiber. The motion was seconded by Roberta Newman and passed unanimously.

After consideration, Roberta Newman made a motion to accept the April 2017 Financial Report. The motion was seconded by Wendy Forgash and passed unanimously.

Payroll for the period ending 4/6/17 was $60,062.72.
Payroll for the period ending 4/20/17 was $57,552.53.

Bills totaling $68,466.05 were approved on a motion by Emily Schreiber and seconded by Wendy Forgash. The motion passed unanimously.

The Director’s Report was read and discussed.
Roberta Newman made a motion to approve the Homebound Service Policy for the library. The motion was seconded by Emily Schreiber and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Wendy Forgash to approve audit services by Baldessari & Coster LLC for the year ending June 30, 2017. The motion was seconded by Roberta Newman and passed unanimously.

Wendy Forgash made a motion to approve the revised health insurance benefit. The motion was seconded by Roberta Newman and passed unanimously.

Board President Robert Paz made a motion to approve the appointment of Trustee Emily Schreiber effective July 1, 2017 to fill the balance of the unexpired term of Bob Botwin. The motion was seconded by Wendy Forgash and passed unanimously.

Roberta Newman made a motion to accept the retirement of Thomas Lanigan effective July 5, 2017. The motion was seconded by Robert Paz and passed unanimously.

The Board members discussed the Holiday Schedule for the Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

At 8:24 p.m. Wendy Forgash made a motion to move into executive session to discuss Personnel and Director compensation for 2017-2018. The motion was seconded by Emily Schreiber.

The meeting reconvened at 8:51 p.m. on a motion by Wendy Forgash that was seconded by Roberta Newman.

A motion was made by Roberta Newman to approve a 3% increase for the Part time Pages for the 2017-2018 contract year. The motion was seconded by Wendy Forgash and passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Wendy Forgash to approve a 3.5% increase for the Library Director for the 2017-2018 contract year. The motion was seconded by Roberta Newman and passed unanimously.
The next Board Meeting will be held on June 20, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. 

A motion to adjourn at 9:12 p.m. was made by Emily Schreiber and seconded by Roberta Newman. 

Respectfully submitted,

Marie Simoneschi 
Secretary to the Board of Trustees