The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Bellmore Memorial Library was called to order on December 18, 2018 at 7:10 p.m.

Members present were Peter Pagones, Robert Paz, Wendy Forgash, Emily Schreiber and Roberta Newman. Also present at the meeting were Director Elaine Cummings-Young and Secretary to the Board Marie Simoneschi.

The library received a $300.00 donation from the Long Island Corvette Owners Association, an organization that meets at the Library. Program Coordinator Liz Gifkins sent them a note thanking them for their generosity.

A letter was received from the Nassau Library System (NLS), announcing the appointment of Caroline Ashby as the new NLS Director.

The library received a thank you letter from Island Harvest Food Bank for the Great Give Back food drive that was conducted in October.

The Minutes of the November 2018 meeting were approved on a motion by Wendy Forgash. The motion was seconded by Emily Schreiber and passed unanimously.

The Financial Report for November 2018 was accepted on a motion made by Emily Schreiber and seconded by Robert Paz.

Bills totaling $75,660.00 were approved on a motion made by Wendy Forgash. The motion was seconded by Emily Schreiber and passed unanimously.

Payroll for the period ending 11/15/18 was $60,583.98. Payroll for the period ending 11/29/18 was $62,055.79.

The Director’s Report was read and discussed.
The revision of the Maternity Leave Policy with proposed Bellmore Memorial Library Family and Medical Leave Policy was tabled to a future Board Meeting.

Emily Schreiber made a motion to accept the resignation of Young Adult Librarian Michael Stamberg effective 1/11/19. The motion was seconded by Peter Pagones and passed unanimously with a thank you from the Board for his services.

The 2019 Budget /Trustee Vote will be held on April 30, 2018.

Peter Pagones attended the Nassau County Library Association’s (NCLA) Annual Dinner and Installation of Officers on the night of November 29th. Peter noted that the library had not one but three employees who were recognized: Valerie Acklin was inducted as the incoming president of the association, Josh Firer was inducted as the incoming president of the Reference and Adult Services Division and Pam Pagones was the recipient of the Andrew Ippolito Scholarship Award given to an outstanding student pursuing a Master’s Degree in Library Science. The Board expressed their congratulations to all.

At 8:35 p.m. Robert Paz made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Personnel Matters. Emily Schreiber seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

At 8:47 p.m. Robert Paz made a motion to exit Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Roberta Newman.

Peter Pagones made a motion to increase the minimum salary for part time clerks and clerk-typists to $15.00. The motion was seconded by Roberta Newman and passed unanimously.

Peter Pagones made a motion to increase William Rosenblum’s salary to $15.00 per hour effective Dec. 28, 2018. The motion was seconded by Roberta Newman and passed unanimously.

Peter Pagones made a motion to increase Carolyn Yee’s salary to $15.00 per hour effective Dec. 28, 2018. The motion was seconded by Roberta Newman and passed unanimously.
The next Board Meeting of the Bellmore Library will be held on January 15, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

At 8:50 p.m. Robert Paz made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Peter Pagones seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,
Marie Simoneschi
Secretary to the Board of Trustees