The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Bellmore Memorial Library was called to order on May 21, 2019 at 7:09 p.m.

Members present were Peter Pagones, Robert Paz, Emily Schreiber, Wendy Forgash and Roberta Newman. Also present at the meeting were Director Elaine Cummings-Young and Secretary to the Board Marie Simoneschi. Library employees Martha DiVittorio, William Rosenblum and Pamela Pagones also attended the meeting.

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Peter Pagones made a motion to revise the agenda and start the meeting with Old Business. The motion was seconded by Robert Paz and passed unanimously.

Old Business:
The 2019-2020 Budget Vote passed by an 88.4% margin. Trustee Robert Paz was appointed to another 5 year term on the Board of Trustees.

Library employees in attendance discussed security concerns with the Board. The possibility of hiring Security for the building was discussed. Director Elaine Cummings-Young is going to check with other local libraries for security company references. Trustee Peter Pagones suggested that we have a representative from a security company come to discuss the services they provide. The matter of library security was tabled to a future Board Meeting.

The Board and the Director discussed the Library’s Sick Leave Policy. The matter of sick leave was also tabled to a future Board Meeting.

Museum memberships were discussed. The Board decided to renew the Intrepid Membership for another year.

Peter Pagones made a motion to revise the agenda and go directly to New Business. The motion was seconded by Roberta Newman and passed unanimously.

New Business:
Director Elaine Cummings-Young informed the Board about the Workroom Renovations. She advised that the library might have to close when stair treads are installed.

Peter Pagones made a motion that the library contribute $75.00 to the Nassau Library System Advocacy Fund. The motion was seconded by Roberta Newman and passed unanimously.
Robert Paz made a motion to offer a MetLife Vision Plan to all full-time employees and part-time employees who work at least 17.5 hours per week. All premiums for this plan are the responsibility of the employees. Peter Pagones seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Wendy Forgash made a motion to appoint Bryan Perez to a part-time cleaner position effective April 26, 2019 at an hourly rate of $12.00. Emily Schreiber seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

At 8:34 p.m. Roberta Newman made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. Peter Pagones seconded the motion. At 8:51 p.m. Emily Schreiber made a motion to exit Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Peter Pagones.

Communications:
Director Elaine Cummings Young sent a letter to Legislator Steven Rhoads, thanking Nassau County for grant money the library received as part of the Community Revitalization Program.

Liz Gifkins sent a thank you letter to the Nassau County Association of School Nurses, thanking them for the donation they gave to the Library.

Patron Toni D’Alto sent a letter to the Board complimenting Librarian Martha DiVittorio and the library on its exemplary programs.

The Minutes of the April 2019 meeting were approved on a motion by Peter Pagones that was seconded by Robert Paz. The motion passed unanimously.

Robert Paz made a motion to accept the Financial Report for April 2019. The motion was seconded by Emily Schreiber.

Bills totaling $76,624.00 for the month of April were approved on a motion made by Roberta Newman that was seconded by Peter Pagones. The motion passed unanimously.

Payroll for the period ending 4/18/19 was $57,291.29.
Payroll for the period ending 5/2/19 was $59,812.89.

The Director’s Report was read and acknowledged.

The next Board Meeting is on June 11, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

At 9:07 p.m. Emily Schreiber made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Robert Paz and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Marie Simoneschi, Secretary to the Board of Trustees