The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Bellmore Memorial Library was called to order on November 15, 2022 at 7:14 p.m.

Attendance:

Emily Schreiber, Board President
Peter Pagones, Trustee
Mary Stephenson, Trustee
Roberta Newman, Trustee-absent with prior notice
Elaine Cummings-Young, Director
Marie Simoneschi, Secretary to the Board of the Trustees

The Meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Communications:

A letter was received from St Elizabeth School, complimenting the children’s room staff. They advised that the pre-K had a great experience when they visited the library.

A letter was received from Councilman Christopher Carini, thanking the library for taking part in the Great Give Back.

A letter was received from employee Karen Gottcent, to the Board of Trustees.

Minutes:

Peter Pagones made a motion to approve the Minutes of the October 2022 meeting. Mary Stephenson seconded the motion that passed unanimously.
After Board review, Peter Pagones made a motion to accept the October 2022, Financial Report. Mary Stephenson seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Bills totaling $285,385.52 for the month of November 2022, were approved on a motion by Peter Pagones. Mary Stephenson seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Payroll for the period ending 10/13/22 is $63,894.94. Payroll for the period ending 10/27/22 is $62,980.25.

The Director’s Report was read and acknowledged. Library statistics were reviewed.

Old Business:

The Board discussed interior design options for the Reading Room. It was decided to bring in interior designers and get their views on furniture and layout suggestions.

New Business:

Mary Stephenson made a motion to accept Trustee Wendy Forgash’s letter of resignation effective 11/15/22. Peter Pagones seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Mary Stephenson made a motion to approve the 2023 ILS & Associated Services Budget. Peter Pagones seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Peter Pagones made a motion to approve Meaghan Barbari’s appointment to Part-Time Librarian Trainee effective November 7, 2022, details on file. Mary Stephenson seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

Executive Session:

At 8:08 p.m. Peter Pagones made a motion to enter Executive Session to discuss personnel. Mary Stephenson seconded the motion that passed unanimously.
At 8:53 p.m. Peter Pagones made a motion to exit Executive Session. Mary Stephenson seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The next Board Meeting will be held on December 20, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

At 8:54 p.m. Peter Pagones made a motion to adjourn. Mary Stephenson seconded the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marie Simoneschi
Secretary to the Board of Trustees