

Union Public Library
1060 Stuyvesant Ave
Union, NJ 07083

Board of Trustees Meeting
May 23, 2023
6:30pm

1. Meeting called to order at 6:31 pm.
2. Mr. Le read the statement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act
3. Roll Call:

Present - Jeannette Cantalupo, Kim Eason, Rosa Figueiredo, Steven Le, Laura Muller, Sally Straus, Kamron Sharif, Melinda Zito, Sandra Paul and Kassundra Miller

Excused: Nancy Minneci

4. Minutes of the April 25, 2023, Regular meeting were reviewed.

Motion to approve was made by Ms. Eason seconded by Mrs. Cantalupo and all in favor.

5. Correspondence – No correspondence.
6. Financial Reports were presented by Ms. Muller.

Motion to approve was made by Mrs. Cantalupo and seconded by Ms. Muller and all in favor.

7. Director's Report was presented by Ms. Miller.

- a. Director Miller informed the Board that two part-time library assistants are now permanent part-time employees.
- b. Library staff participated in the Township of Union's Asian American and Pacific Islander May 6, 2023, Heritage Month event. Director Miller thanked President Lee for organizing the successful Township event.

8. Reports of Committees and Board Members - President Le announced the Friends of the Union Public Library will host a fund-raising event on June 15, 2023, from 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm. All proceeds will benefit the Friends of the Union Public Library. Director Miller will email the event information to the Board members.

9. Old Business

- a. President Le announced the Library Staff Appreciation Day was a nice event and enjoyed by attendees.

10. New Business - None

11. Comments from the Public – Comments were made by members of the public regarding last year's Pride Month display located in the children's section of the library. Those who presented oppose the book display. All members of the public who wished to speak were given the opportunity to speak for 3 minutes. Members of the public who presented:

- a. Kim Herbert – Union Resident – refused to provide address
- b. Rory – Burnet Ave.
- c. Joann Regan – refused to provide address.

- d. Mr. Degagua – 1610 May Street, Union, NJ
- e. Carl Herbert – Union Resident – refused to provide address
- f. Rebecca Brambert – did not provide address
- g. Michael Weiner – Former Union Resident – did not provide address

12. Executive Session – Ms. Muller made a motion to move into the Executive Session and then return to open public session. Ms. Eason seconded the motion. Executive Session began at 6:55 PM. All in favor.
13. Ms. Muller made a motion the Board exit from Executive Session and return to open public session. Ms. Zito seconded the motion. All in favor. The Board returned to Public Session at 7:15 PM.
14. Next meeting will be held on June 27, 2023, at 6:30pm, at the Union of the library, which is located at 1060 Stuyvesant Avenue, Union, NJ 07083
15. Adjournment - Motion to adjourn at 7:16 pm by Mrs. Cantalupo and seconded by Mrs. Figueiredo.