
**GREAT NECK LIBRARY
MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2019 AT 8:00 P.M.**

A special meeting of the Great Neck Library Board of Trustees, preceded by an executive session, was held on Monday, February 4, 2019, at the Main Library, 159 Bayview Avenue, Great Neck, NY 11023 [Agenda attached]

The following Trustees were present constituting a quorum:

Rebecca Miller – President
Barry Smith – Secretary
Josie Pizer – Treasurer
Chelsea Sassouni – Assistant Treasurer
Liman Mimi Hu – Assistant Treasurer
Scott Sontag - Trustee

Also Present: Denise Corcoran – Director
Tracy Van Dyne – Assistant Director
Steven Kashkin – Business Manager
Peter Fishbein – Library Counsel

Absent with Prior Notice: Weihua Yan – Vice President

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion by Trustee Miller, seconded by Trustee Smith it was,

RESOLVED, to enter into executive session for a discussion on Personnel.

VOTE: Yes – 6 (Miller, Smith, Pizer, Sassouni, Hu, Sontag)
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Upon motion by Trustee Pizer, seconded by Trustee Sassouni it was,

RESOLVED, to exit executive session.

VOTE: Yes – 6 (Miller, Smith, Pizer, Sassouni, Hu, Sontag)
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

No action was taken in executive session.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Miller at 8:18 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

(a) Acceptance of Director’s Resignation

Upon motion by Trustee Smith, seconded by Trustee Sassouni and after discussion, it was,

RESOLVED, that the Great Neck Library Board of Trustees accept the resignation of Denise Corcoran as Library Director.

VOTE: Yes – 6 (Miller, Smith, Pizer, Sassouni, Hu, Sontag)

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(b) Director Search Committee

Upon motion by Trustee Sassouni, seconded by Trustee Smith and after discussion, it was,

RESOLVED, that the Great Neck Library Board of Trustees authorize the President to form a Director Search Committee.

VOTE: Yes – 6 (Miller, Smith, Pizer, Sassouni, Hu, Sontag)

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

(c) Appointment of Acting Director

Upon motion by Trustee Pizer, seconded by Trustee Smith and after discussion, it was,

RESOLVED, that the Great Neck Library Board of Trustees appoint Tracy Van Dyne as Acting Director of the Great Neck Library with an effective date with the departure of the current director and that date will be determined and a contract will be defined.

VOTE: Yes – 5 (Miller, Smith, Pizer, Sassouni, Hu)

Abstain – 1 (Sontag)

MOTION CARRIED

Public Comments: R. Gilliar, M. Fuller, B. Mehlman, J. Esagoff, B. Trachtenberg, M. DiCamillo

(d) RFP for Management Consultant

Upon motion by Trustee Pizer, seconded by Trustee Sassouni and after discussion, it was,

RESOLVED, that the Great Neck Library Board of Trustees develop and put forward a Request for Proposal for the Great Neck Library to obtain a management consultant for an external review of our management systems within the library.

VOTE: Yes – 3 (Miller, Pizer, Sassouni)

No – 3 (Smith, Hu, Sontag)

MOTION DEFEATED

Public Comments: M. Fuller, M. DiCamillo, R. Gilliar, J. Esagoff, B. Mehlman

OPEN TIME

M. DiCamillo – Director Resignation

R. Gilliar – Director Resignation, Appointment of Acting Director

B. Mehlman – Director Resignation

M. Fuller – Director Resignation

J. Esagoff – Director Resignation

DATES OF NEXT MEETING

February 26, 2019 – Board Meeting - Main Library

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m. on motion by Trustee Pizer and seconded by Trustee Smith.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Barry Smith
Secretary, Board of Trustees