

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OSSINING PUBLIC LIBRARY
Work Session Meeting
December 5, 2024 – 6:00pm
2nd Floor Conference Room
53 Croton Ave., Ossining, NY

DRAFT MINUTES

OPL BOT Members physically present: Amanda Curley, Meghan Huppuch, Rachel Murphy, Cecilia Quintero, and Phil Rice

OPL BOT Member absent with prior notice: Alice Joselow

OPL BOT Member absent without prior notice: Althema Goodson

OPL Staff physically present: Karen LaRocca-Fels, and Steve Hamilton

Attending remotely via Zoom: Craig Olivo, Esq. – Bond Schoeneck & King – OPL's Attorney

Call to Order

Meghan Huppuch called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Meghan Huppuch read aloud the OPL Mission and Vision statements:

The Ossining Public Library enriches, connects, and inspires our community. The Ossining Public Library will be the community's center for lifelong learning.

On a motion from Amanda Curley, seconded by Cecilia Quintero, the BOT entered Executive Session at 6:01pm.

Executive Session: To discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation.

On a motion from Amanda Curley, seconded by Rachel Murphy, the BOT exited Executive Session at 6:27pm.

Board Discussion

- Security Solutions

The BOT discussed the recent uptick of incidents involving unruly patrons and petty thefts at the OPL and discussed a variety of multi-pronged solutions to address these going forward in both the short and long-term.

The BOT discussed the availability of the following online continuing education trainings and will revisit them at the next Work Session Meeting, which will allow for all BOT members to view the trainings beforehand.

- Trustee Handbook Book Club: Effective Meetings Utilizing Parliamentary Procedure, 10/27/2022: [Trustee Handbook Book Club Effective Meetings Utilizing Parliamentary Procedure 10 27 22](#)
- Trustee Handbook Book Club: Governance Structure: The Role of Board Officers and Board Committees: [Mid-Hudson Library System](#)

Amanda Curley left the meeting at 6:50pm.

Adjournment

On a motion by Cecilia Quintero, seconded by Rachel Murphy, the meeting was adjourned at 6:56pm.

Scheduled Upcoming Meetings

Friday, December 13, 2024 – Policy & Personnel Committee Meeting

Monday, December 16, 2024 – Regular Meeting

Tuesday, December 17, 2024 – Community Outreach Committee Meeting

~~Friday, December 27, 2024~~ Date TBD – Finance Committee Meeting

Monday, January 6, 2025 – Buildings & Grounds Committee Meeting

Thursday, January 9, 2025 – Work Session Meeting

Friday, January 10, 2025 – Policy & Personnel Committee Meeting

Monday, January 13, 2025 – Regular Meeting

Tuesday, January 21, 2025 – Community Outreach Committee Meeting

Friday, January 24, 2025 – Finance Committee Meeting

Wednesday, January 29, 2025 – Long Range Strategic Plan Committee Meeting