

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Scarsdale Public Library
April 4, 2022
Meeting Room South

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Scarsdale Public Library was held in Meeting Room South, on April 4, 2022.

The following participants were in attendance: Felicia Block, President; Gary Katz, VP; Laura Liu, Financial Officer; Robert Jeremiah, Secretary; Pedro Ladislau, Trustee; Margot Milberg, Trustee; Jordan Copeland, Trustee; Beth Bermel, Library Director; Catherine Callegari, Assistant Director of Patron Services; Karen Brew, Village Trustee Liaison; Michelle Lichtenberg, Friends of the Scarsdale Library

Member of the public: Robin Stettnisch

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m.

Approval of Minutes of the March 14, 2022 meeting: A motion was made by Jordan, and seconded by Margot, to approve the minutes of the March 14 meeting. The motion was approved.

Friends of the Scarsdale Library (FoSL) Report: The Friends of the Scarsdale Library are preparing for the May 20th event - Evening Under the Stars.

Director's Report: There continue to be building issues (squirrel damage and AV concerns, for example) and Beth, of course, is in touch with Paul Zaicek, Village Capital Projects Manager. Margot suggested the Board might write a letter to support Beth and reiterate our desire to get the work done as soon as possible. The Board is concerned with the ongoing building issues and is looking to support the Village staff, as well as the Library, in their efforts to both close-out the building project and move forward the building maintenance issues. Beth will continue to work with the Village and inform the Board regarding next steps.

President's Report: Felicia thanked Beth for keeping her and Gary informed of building updates. The majority of the month was spent looking towards crafting goals for the upcoming year. Next, Felicia offered the opportunity for public comment - there was none.

2022-2023 Goals--discussion: The goals are vision statements - they are not objectives. The goals are big picture items. After approval of the Goals at the May 2022 meeting, Beth and Catherine will work together to move the objectives forward to support the goals. Tonight is intended as discussion - and the action item to move the goals forward will happen at our next meeting. Following was a discussion of the goals and areas for clarification. Incorporating metrics of library satisfaction and space use will be added to the goals. Please send comments about the goals to Gary, Felicia and Beth. In addition, Felicia will share the Google Doc as another option for sharing comments.

A motion to go into Executive Session to discuss the Director evaluation was made by Jordan at 8:05 p.m., and seconded by Margot.

At 8:46 p.m. a motion was made by Robert, and seconded by Margot, to exit Executive Session.

Felicia Block adjourned the meeting at 8:47 p.m.