

MINUTES
GARFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Board of Trustees Library Office

REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday
January 25, 2017

1. The regular meeting of Wednesday, January 25, 2017 was called to order at 7:02 PM by President, Ruth Springer.

2. President, Ruth Springer asked for the Roll Call:

Present: President, Ruth Springer
 Vice President Erjon Gjoci arrived 7:45pm
 Director, Mary Jo Jennings
 Treasurer, Reginald Buggs, Sr.
 Secretary, Donna Miller
 Stephanie Urgovitch
 Mayor Richard Rigoglioso arrived 7:10pm

Absent:
Alternate for Superintendent Perrapato, Judith Mucha

2. President, Ruth Springer read the following statement:

Pursuant to the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231, Laws of 1976, adequate written notice of this meeting, together with the agenda of this meeting is to be:

- a) permanently posted on the Board's officially designated public bulletin board, located in the Garfield Public Library lobby, 500 Midland Avenue, in the City of Garfield,
- b) delivered to the Passaic Herald News, and the Community News, newspapers circulating in the City of Garfield,
- c) filed with the City Clerk of the City of Garfield; and
- d) mailed to all persons, if any, who have requested said notice, pursuant to Section 14 of Chapter 231, Laws of 1976.

Visitor attending Jorge Ventura arrived at 7:18,

1. Nominations for the Board of Trustees were held. The slate will remain the same for the coming year. The oath was administered.

It was moved by Reginald Buggs seconded by Stephanie Urgovitch and unanimously carried to accept the Board of Trustees slate.

2. It was moved by Reginald Buggs, Sr. seconded by Stephanie Urgovitch and unanimously carried to accept the Minutes from December 28, 2016.

3. It was moved by Reginald Buggs, Sr. and seconded by Robert Rigoglioso and unanimously carried to table the treasurer's report from January 2017 pending corrections for the health and salary line.

Reginald Buggs offered and Stephanie seconded the following resolution GPL 2017-01:

BE IT RESOLVED that the BCCLS annual bill of \$39,444.00 be paid for the calendar year 2017.

4. Communication: None

5. Community Room: None

6. Director's Report:

a. Last week there was an incident in the library where the Director witnessed a man masturbating in the Children's Room in the afternoon when children were in the area. The incident is under police investigation and that is all I can say at this time.

b. Black History Event on Saturday Feb 25th at 6pm in the library will launch the Garfield Centennial year of celebrations. Ruth Springer and Reggie Buggs from the Library Board Trustees are on that Committee.

c. The Director is on the Centennial Quilt Committee which will hopefully have its debut the night of the Library Tree Lighting and find a permanent home at the library.

d. Our Children's Librarian has had the first meeting of the library's Teen Library Council. Seven young adults from our High School has signed up and their first order of business is to make sure this council doesn't die. They are all excited and are planning a Blind Date with a Book for this February.

e. The Library was also notified by the GHS Honor Society requesting ways in which they can get more involved with the library. The Director and Mrs. Jackson are compiling a list of programs for them to choose from or to inspire them to develop one of their own.

It was moved by Donna Miller seconded by Richard Rigoglioso unanimously carried to accept the director's report from January 2017.

7. Old Business:

a.) Foundation

An Invitation to Participate in Board of Director's Interview letter was distributed by the President.

b.) Arcari Renovation Plans

Legal aspects of the bid process are being pursued.

c.) By-Laws

By-Laws are in the process of being signed.

d.) Union Contract

Changes will be submitted to the City Council.

e.) Personnel

Civil Servant applicants may reapply when the search is opened.

8. New Business

a.) Reginald Buggs offered and Erjon Gjoci seconded the following resolution GPL 2017-02:

BE IT RESOLVED that the following employee salaries will be in effect until the new union contract is established:

2017 Library Salaries				
Professional Employees				
Last Name		Title	Date of Hire	Salary
Jennings	M	Library Director	8/2/10	\$ 75,000.00
Magielnicki	L	Librarian (Children)	10/13/15	\$ 44,000.00
Non-Professional Employees				
Jackson	L	Head of Circ	9/12/86	\$ 54,588.30
Piro	P	Library Assist	3/18/08	\$ 36,611.68
Lasky	R	Library Assist	10/19/95	\$ 49,039.48
Shupenko	D	Library Assist	12/16/2013	\$ 34,000.00
		Name	Hourly Wage	
		Alessi, Kathy	11.41	
		Calderio, Marisa	8.50	
		Griffin, Kayla 8.50 Latona, Vincent	9.26	
		Lopez, Beltran	12.16	
		Morillo, Cristiana	16.00	
		Acevedo, Raquel	20.00	
		Shupenko, Christopher	8.50	
		Sokulski, Edward	16.00	
		Trott, Amanda	9.84	

b.) Erjon Gjoci offered and Reginald Buggs seconded the following resolution GPL 2017-03:

BE IT RESOLVED that the library director is assigned purchasing agent responsibilities.

9. Erjon Gjoci offered and Richard Rigoglioso seconded the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Regular Meeting of January 25, 2017 of the Garfield Free Public Library Board of Trustees was adjourned at 8: PM.

Resolution was unanimously adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Miller
Trustee Secretary