

MINUTES
GARFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Board of Trustees Virtual

REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday
January 27, 2021

1. The regular meeting of Wednesday, January 27, 2021 was called to order at 7:00 PM by President, Ruth Springer.
2. President Ruth Springer asked for the Roll Call:

Present:

President, Ruth Springer
Director, Mary Jo Jennings
Secretary, Donna Miller
Treasurer Suny Mellawa
Alternate for Mayor Richard Rigoglioso Raymond Rivas
First Vice President, Stephanie Urgovitch
Alternate for Superintendent Anne Sciacca, Marie Marx

Absent:

Superintendent Anna Sciacca
Mayor Richard Rigoglioso

3. 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.

Due to the current COVID-19 quarantine, notice of this meeting was posted electronically on Facebook, the city webpage, and the Garfield Free Public Library webpage

4. Election of Officers:

President Ruth Springer
Vice President Stephanie Urgovitch
Treasurer Suny Mellawa
Secretary Donna Miller

The ballot was unanimously accepted.
The oath was administered.

5. It was moved by Marie Marx and seconded by Stephanie Urgovitch and unanimously carried to accept the Minutes from December ,2020.
6. It was moved by Donna Miller and seconded by Stephanie Urgovitch and unanimously carried to accept the treasurer's reports from January 2021.
7. Communications: None
8. Community Room: None
9. Director's Report:
10. The Director had a hybrid meeting with both librarians' regarding their internet tasks. Since the Lauren Magielnicki has posted video on how to obtain an eBCCLS card. Leann Lydon has added the newest books at the library and continues New York Times Best seller listing that we have at the library. More items are being worked on for the upcoming weeks.
11. The Director Attended:
- a. The virtual Friends Meeting Sat Jan 9th at 10AM.
 - b. The Friends sponsored virtual Author talk at 1pm.
 - c. The virtual Foundation Meeting Tuesday January 19th at 6:30pm
12. The Director will be submitting the papers for the New Jersey Construction Bond Act with the assistance of David Biunno, the Grant writer for this grant.
13. The Library still is operating on a Team Schedule and the services are still limited during this Pandemic. Some Libraries have rolled back services to just curbside pick up, due to the spike in numbers. Garfield's numbers have been rising. ALL library related boards are back to virtual meetings. Some libraries have had to close due to positive COVID results.

Old Business:

Garfield Free Public Library Foundation Update

The Virtual Foundation Meeting was held on Tuesday, January 19.
A search is being initiated for new members.
Reggie Buggs is developing marketing strategies.

Friends of the Garfield Library Update

A Virtual Friends of the Library meeting was held on Saturday, January 9.
The theme was National Vision Board Day.
A virtual author talk by Jamie Novak, a professional organizer, was offered on Jan. 9.
20 patrons attended.
A trivia night hosted by Chris and Steve was attended by 17 patrons on Fri., Jan. 15.

Work Session:

The session is scheduled for March.

New Business:

Marie Marx offered and Stephanie Urgovitch seconded the following resolution:
GPL 2021 -01.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Director Mary Jo Jennings be the purchasing agent for the Garfield Free Public Library, with a threshold max of \$2600.00 for the 2021 calendar year.

Resolution was unanimously adopted.

Sunny Mellawa offered and Stephanie Urgovitch seconded the following resolution: GPL 2021-02.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the salaries for the Library staff are as follows:

Mary Jo Jennings	\$75,000.00 yearly
Leann Lydon	\$57,386.94 yearly
Lauren Magielnicki	\$53,915.73 yearly

Linda Jackson	\$70,930.57 yearly
Pam Piro	\$47,675.48 yearly
Mencia Doucet	\$38,463.67 yearly
Diane Shupenko	\$43,345.80 yearly

Kathy Alessi	\$13.11 per hr
Brendan Nunno	\$12.00 per hr
Kayla Griffin	\$15.00 per hr
Vincent LaTona	\$12.02 per hr
Beltran Lopez	\$13.98 per hr
Cristiana Morillo	\$22.89 per hr
Christopher Shupenko	\$12.00 per hr
Edward Sokulski	\$17.80 per hr
Amanda Trott	\$12.30 per hr

Resolution was unanimously adopted.

Resolution was unanimously passed.

Marie Marx offered and Stephanie Urgovitch seconded the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Regular Meeting of Wednesday, January 27, 2021 of the Garfield Free Public Library Board of Trustees was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Miller
Trustee Secretary