

BOARD MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 2024  
BABYLON PUBLIC LIBRARY

PRESENT: Gary Brunjes, Loretta Chillemi, Debbie Young Szala, Sandra Levine, Anne Lotito-Schuh, Tom Vitale, Director, Cathy Tingo, Board Secretary

GUEST: Battle of the Books' participants and their families

STAFF: Catherine Frank, YA Librarian

The meeting was called to order at 6:25 p.m. by President Brunjes followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Brunjes welcomed the guests to the meeting.

Minutes –

Motion was made to approve the Minutes of the August 13, 2024 Board meeting. (Chillemi/Szala) Unanimous

Treasurer's Report/Warrants –

Motion was made to accept the August 2024 Report, as prepared by Treasurer, SuzAnne Getz. (Brunjes/Levine) Unanimous

Motion was made to approve Payroll Warrants for payrolls ending July 27, 2024, August 10, 2024 and August 24, 2024, as prepared by Treasurer, SuzAnne Getz. (Brunjes/Szala) Unanimous

Motion was made to approve checks numbered 7501 through and including 7575. (Brunjes/Szala) Unanimous

Director's Report -

The Director presented his report which was reviewed and approved by the Board.

Personnel Report –

Motion was made to approve the longevity payment of \$445.71 to Linda Plouffe, part-time Page, for ten years of service on November 3, 2024. (Levine/Schuh) Unanimous

Motion was made to confirm the appointment of Sarah Brand as part time Support Services Clerk effective August 28, 2024. (Chillemi/Szala) Unanimous

New Business -

Tax Levy Approval –

Motion was made to set the Library tax levy for fiscal year 2024-2025 at \$2,410,592 with an approximate tax rate of \$12.56 per \$100 based on an assessed valuation of \$19,189,947 as determined by Mathew R. Cronin, Assessor of the Town of Babylon. This information will be sent via letter to Deirdre Lunetta, Assistant Superintendent for Business, Babylon Union Free School District. (Brunjes/Levine) Unanimous

Upcoming Meeting –

October 15, 2024 @ 6:30 p.m.

President Brunjes offered an opportunity for a Period of Public Expression. None offered.

President Brunjes and the Director congratulated the team The Brain Trust for participating in and placing fifth in the Battle of the Books program. Catherine Frank expressed how proud she is of all the participants. Certificates were presented to each participant, photos were taken, and cake and refreshments were served.

Adjournment –

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 6:51 p.m. (Brunjes/Szala) Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Tingo

Board Secretary

