BOARD MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2026
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 6:30 p.m. by President Brunjes followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Brunjes welcomed the guests to the meeting.

President Brunjes and the Director congratulated the team The Fruity Flamingos for participating in and placing seventh in the Battle of the Books program. The team also won Most Team Spirit Award. Catherine Frank gave a brief background on the contest and expressed how proud she is of all the participants. Certificates were presented to the participants, and cake and refreshments were served. At 6:50 p.m. Catherine Frank and the Battle of the Books' participants and their families left the meeting.

Motion was made to Executive Session at 6:50 p.m. to discuss personnel matters. (Szala/Levine) Unanimous

At 7:15 p.m. the meeting returned to Open Session.

Minutes –

Motion was made to approve the Minutes of the August 18, 2026 Board meeting. (Szala/Levine) Unanimous (Chillemi-Schuh/Abstain)

Treasurer's Report/Warrants –

Motion was made to accept the August 2026 Report, as prepared by Treasurer, SuzAnne Getz. (Brunjes/Levine) Unanimous

Motion was made to approve Payroll Warrants for payrolls ending August 8, 2026 and August 22, 2026, as prepared by Treasurer, SuzAnne Getz. (Brunjes/Szala) Unanimous

Motion was made to approve checks numbered 9328 through and including 9385. (Brunjes/Chillemi) Unanimous

Director's Report -

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

Personnel Report –

Motion was made to accept the resignation of Megan Maloney, Substitute Library Clerk, effective August 25, 2026. (Szala/Chillemi) Unanimous

Motion was made to approve the longevity payment of $1550 to Amy Pabisz, full-time Librarian I, for fifteen years of service on October 3, 2026. (Brunjes/Schuh) Unanimous

Unfinished Business –

New Business –

Motion was made to accept the $100 donation from Katherine Travers and Kevin Boyle in honor of their parents, Finnegan and Isabel Boyle. (Schuh/Levine) Unanimous

Upcoming Meeting –

October 20, 2026 @ 6:30 p.m.

Adjournment -

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. (Levine/Szala) Unanimous

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Tingo

Board Secretary