

**GREAT NECK LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING
OCTOBER 28, 2013 AND JANUARY 23, 2014**

MONDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2013

The Annual Meeting/Election of the Great Neck Library Association was held on Monday, October 28, 2013.

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Ferrante Krupski at 10:00 a.m., on Monday, October 28, 2013, for the purpose of voting for two members of the Board of Trustees and one member of the Nominating Committee.

Voting took place in person from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. in the Main Library, 159 Bayview Avenue, Great Neck, New York 11023, and in the Parkville Branch at 10 Campbell Street, New Hyde Park, New York 11040. The polls were opened at 10:00 a.m. and closed at 10:00 p.m. The Re-Organization portion of the Annual Meeting was recessed until Tuesday, January 21, 2014, which was subsequently rescheduled to Thursday, January 23, 2014 due to a snow storm.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 2014

The Annual Re-Organization Meeting was convened at 7:00 p.m., on Thursday, January 23, 2014, at the offices of the Great Neck Library, 159 Bayview Avenue, Great Neck, New York. (Agenda attached).

The following Trustees were present constituting a quorum of the Board:

Marietta DiCamillo – President
Francine Ferrante Krupski – Vice President
Varda Solomon – Secretary
Josie Pizer – Treasurer
Joel Marcus – Assistant. Treasurer
Michael Fuller – Assistant Treasurer [arrived at 7:11 p.m.]

Absent with Prior Notice: Janet Esagoff

Also present: Laura Weir – Acting Director
Christine Johnson – Interim Assistant Director
Neil Zitofsky – Business Manager

The attendance sheet is appended to these Minutes.

CALL TO ORDER

President DiCamillo called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m., and she thanked everyone for coming out on such a cold night. She then read the following statement:

As you know 2014 will mark the beginning of a complete renovation of the Great Neck Library main building. Many challenges still lie ahead but every day brings us closer to a new updated building. Committees have been created and have been tasked with certain phases of the building program. The Building Advisory Committee continues to meet with plans evolving and developing.

We would not have been able to achieve our goals without those who participated in the Building Program. They donated their time, efforts and energies – not to mention opinion. We worked as a team and it is my hope that these efforts will continue.

The public's approval of the November 2013 referendum might not have been successful without the selfless efforts of the Great Neck Library staff, the Board of Trustees and members of the public: Allegra Goldberg, Amy Levinson, Don Dillon, Les Kahn, Marianna Wohlgemuth, Mike Currie and Ralene Adler. The BAC welcomes the addition of resident, Alice Merwin who joined this committee in December. We also mustn't forget the efforts of Stu Hochron who recently left Great Neck or Naomi Feldheim who passed away in 2013, both are deeply missed.

I would also like to thank the Public who may have attended an informational meeting, a building meeting, spoken to staff, sent us emails or wrote letters – you then followed through by voting. I thank you all; your level of interest gave us the drive to carry on.

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, we are committed to this project and look forward to that one day in November when we'll all be there cutting the ribbon on our new library.

MINUTES

Upon motion by Varda Solomon, seconded by Josie Pizer, and after discussion, it was,

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library approve the Minutes of the December 3, 2012, Annual Meeting/Election and January 23, 2013, Annual Re-Organization Meeting, as presented.

VOTE: Yes 6 (DiCamillo, Ferrante Krupski, Fuller, Marcus, Pizer, Solomon)
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REPORTS

Reports from the President, Treasurer and the Library Director are in the Annual Report which is attached to these Minutes.

PRESENTATION TO RETIRING MEMBERS OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

President DiCamillo presented a Certification of Appreciation to Joan Adickman and thanked her on behalf of the Board for her three years of service on the Nominating Committee. Linda Cohen and Steven Walk were not present to accept their certificates but they too were thanked for serving on the Nominating Committee for one year.

Trustee Fuller arrived at this point (7:11 p.m.)

NEW BUSINESS

a) ELECTION OF OFFICERS

President

Josie Pizer nominated Marietta DiCamillo. There were no other nominations. *Marietta DiCamillo* was unanimously re-elected *President*.

Vice President

Varda Solomon nominated Francine Ferrante Krupski. No other nominations were received. *Francine Ferrante Krupski* was unanimously re-elected *Vice President*.

Secretary

Michael Fuller nominated Varda Solomon. There were no other nominations. *Varda Solomon* was unanimously re-elected *Secretary*.

Treasurer

Francine Ferrante Krupski nominated Josie Pizer. There were no other nominations. *Josie Pizer* was unanimously re-elected *Treasurer*.

Assistant Treasurer

Varda Solomon nominated Joel Marcus. There were no other nominations. *Joel Marcus* was unanimously re-elected *Assistant Treasurer*.

Assistant Treasurer

Joel Marcus nominated Michael Fuller. There were no other nominations. *Michael Fuller* was unanimously re-elected *Assistant Treasurer*.

b) 2014/2015 BOARD MEETING DATES

Upon motion by Joel Marcus, seconded by Francine Ferrante Krupski, and after discussion, it was,

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library accept the calendar of Board of Trustees meetings for 2014/2015 [below].

February 18 – Community Room

March 4 (Budget Workshop) – Parkville Branch

March 18 (Budget Workshop) – Community Room

March 25 – Community Room

April 10 (Budget Hearing & Adoption) – Community Room

April 29 – Community Room

May 20 – Station Branch

June 17 – Community Room

September 16 – Community Room

October 21 – Station Branch

October 27 (Monday, 10 a.m. – 10 p.m., Annual Meeting/Election) – Station & Parkville Branches

November 18 – Station Branch
December 23 – Parkville Branch
January 20, 2015 – Station Branch
January 27, 2015 (Annual Re-Organization Meeting) – Parkville & Station Branches

Trustees were asked to reserve July 10, July 31, August 14 and August 28, 2014 as tentative dates for special Board meetings over the summer in case they would be needed.

VOTE: Yes – 6 (DiCamillo, Ferrante Krupski, Fuller, Marcus, Pizer, Solomon)
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

c) BOARD ELECTED MEMBERS TO THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Upon motion by Varda Solomon, seconded by Francine Ferrante Krupski, and after discussion, it was,

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library elect Linda Burghardt and Marianna Wohlgemuth to the Nominating Committee for a one-year term each ending January 2015.

VOTE: Yes – 5 (Ferrante Krupski, Fuller, Marcus, Pizer, Solomon);
Abstention – 1(DiCamillo) **MOTION CARRIED**

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS REMINDER

President DiCamillo stated that the composition of the committees may remain unchanged but if anyone has a desire not to serve on their assigned committee(s), to let her know.

OPEN TIME

Speaking: Marianna Wohlgemuth

President DiCamillo stated that the Board was very pleased with the new schematics by KG&D Architects. After meeting with the library staff, KG&D incorporated some of the excellent recommendations from the group meetings with staff. One significant change is the moving of the AV Room from under the mezzanine to the area opposite the entrance to the Community Room. Also, one study room in the center area was moved to the corner, and the mechanical room was relocated from an inside space to the back of the garage. The schematics will be ready the next day and estimates in the next two weeks.

ADJOURNMENT

On motion by Josie Pizer and seconded by Joel Marcus, the meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Varda Solomon, Secretary