

**GREAT NECK LIBRARY
MINUTES OF THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Tuesday, October 24, 2000
8:00 p.m.**

A Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library was held on **Tuesday, October 24, 2000**, in the Community Room of the Great Neck Library, 159 Bayview Avenue, Great Neck, NY 11023. (Agenda attached.)

The following Trustees were present constituting a quorum:

Bette Weidman, President
Mischa Schwartz, Vice President
Joyce Klein, Secretary
Don Stern, Treasurer
Elayne Bernstein, Assistant Treasurer
Marietta DiCamillo, Assistant Treasurer
Catherine Moore

Also present: Christine Salita, Library Director
Neil Zitofsky, Business Manager

CALL TO ORDER

President Weidman called the meeting to order at 8:05 p.m.

MINUTES

Upon motion by Don Stern, seconded by Elayne Bernstein, and after discussion, it was, **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library approve the Minutes of September 26, 2000, as presented.

VOTE: Yes – 7 (Bernstein, DiCamillo, Klein, Moore, Schwartz, Stern, Weidman)
Motion Carried Unanimously

TREASURER'S REPORT

During the month of September, 2000, revenue received was \$34,680.54. Total expenses were \$481,914.84.

At the close of business, September 30, 2000, total operating fund holdings were \$2,190,332.24 which were on deposit at HSBC and The Bank of New York, and in Petty Cash funds at Main and the Branches.

Additionally, the balance of the Main Building and Special Services fund was \$1,089,879.77; the Automated Library fund was \$123,407.10; the Restricted Gift fund was

\$42,725.60; the Branch and Special Services fund was \$117,951.69. These funds totaled \$1,373,964.16 on September 30, 2000.

Upon motion by Don Stern, seconded by Mischa Schwartz, and after discussion, it was, **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library, accept the October 24, 2000, Treasurer's Report with the Personnel Changes of September 19, 2000, through October 9, 2000.

VOTE: Yes – 7 (Bernstein, DiCamillo, Klein, Moore, Schwartz, Stern, Weidman)
Motion Carried Unanimously

Upon motion by Don Stern, seconded by Mischa Schwartz, and after discussion, it was, **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library authorize the Treasurer to pay the persons named in the Check Register dated September 19, 2000, through October 20, 2000, Paid-Checks numbered 1039, and 20689 through 20806, and To-Be-Paid Checks numbered 20807 through 20935, the sums set against their respective names, amounting in the aggregate to \$313,004.74

VOTE: Yes – 7 (Bernstein, DiCamillo, Klein, Moore, Schwartz, Stern, Weidman)
Motion Carried Unanimously

REPORTS

Director's Report (attached hereto)

CORRESPONDENCE

Speaking to their letters: *Ralene Adler, Murray Wallach*

OLD BUSINESS

Budget: Transfer of Funds to Automated Library Fund per 2000 Budget

Upon motion by Don Stern, seconded by Catherine Moore, and after discussion, it was, **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library authorize the transfer of \$150,000 of unappropriated operating surplus funds from the General Fund to the Automated Library Fund.

Public Comment: *Ralene Adler*

VOTE: Yes – 7 (Bernstein, DiCamillo, Klein, Moore, Schwartz, Stern, Weidman)
Motion Carried Unanimously

NEW BUSINESS

Computer Purchase

Upon motion by Mischa Schwartz, seconded by Catherine Moore, and after discussion, it was, **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library authorize the purchase of computer hardware and peripherals, as per the attached schedule, at a maximum cost of \$90,362, of which \$74,000 is to be charged to the Automated Library Fund, and the balance of up to \$16,362 is to be charged to the Computer Hardware line of the general operating fund.

VOTE: Yes – 7 (Bernstein, DiCamillo, Klein, Moore, Schwartz, Stern, Weidman)
Motion Carried Unanimously

Memorial Donations – Restricted Gift Fund

Upon motion by Catherine Moore, seconded by Joyce Klein, and after discussion, it was, **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library authorize the deposit of \$5,000 donated in memory of Benjamin Zeldin by his family in the Restricted Gift Fund with the purpose of said money being to underwrite the cost of a performing arts series relating to Yiddish music and theatre.

VOTE: Yes – 7 (Bernstein, DiCamillo, Klein, Moore, Schwartz, Stern, Weidman)
Motion Carried Unanimously

Upon motion by Mischa Schwartz, seconded by Joyce Klein, and after discussion, it was, **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library authorize the deposit of money realized from the liquidation of securities (*thought to be valued at approximately \$2,500*) donated by Claire Stern in memory of Frank Lesser in the Restricted Gift Fund with the purpose of said money being to support the maintenance and enhancement of the local history collection.

VOTE: Yes – 7 (Bernstein, DiCamillo, Klein, Moore, Schwartz, Stern, Weidman)
Motion Carried Unanimously

Excessed Equipment

Upon motion by Elayne Bernstein, seconded by Joyce Klein, and after discussion, it was, **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library declare the equipment on the attached schedule excessed and authorize the Library Director to dispose of same in an appropriate manner.

VOTE: Yes – 7 (Bernstein, DiCamillo, Klein, Moore, Schwartz, Stern, Weidman)
Motion Carried Unanimously

Snow Removal

Upon motion by Joyce Klein, seconded by Mischa Schwartz, and after discussion, it was, **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library authorize the renewal of

the snow removal contract for the period November 1, 2000, through April 30, 2001, with Galvin Brothers at a cost of \$6,800 {plus additional charges for sanding and for accumulations over eight (8) inches [per snowfall]} to be charged to the Service Contracts budget line.

Speaking: *Emanuel Kline, William Morrill*

VOTE: Yes – 7 (Bernstein, DiCamillo, Klein, Moore, Schwartz, Stern, Weidman)
Motion Carried Unanimously

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Klein read the text of a letter she was sending to the New York Times in response to an opinion piece dealing with the Great Neck Library which appeared on October 22, 2000.

OPEN TIME

Speaking: *William Morrill, Murray Wallach, JoAnn Farley, Emanuel Kline, Ralene Adler, Marianna Wohlgemuth*

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion by Mischa Schwartz, seconded by Marietta DiCamillo, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Klein
Secretary