

**GREAT NECK LIBRARY  
MINUTES OF THE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING  
Tuesday, November 28, 2000  
8:00 p.m.**

A Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library was held on **Tuesday, November 28, 2000**, in the Parkville Branch of the Great Neck Library, 10 Campbell Street, New Hyde Park, NY 11040. (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 8:03 p.m.

## **MINUTES**

Upon motion by Don Stern, seconded by Joyce Klein, and after discussion, it was, **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library approve the Minutes of October 24, 2000, as presented.

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

## **LIBRARY CARD RE-REGISTRATION**

Director Salita reviewed the library card re-registration process for updating the Library's database.

**Public Comment:** *Murray Wallach, Ralene Adler*

## **TREASURER'S REPORT**

During the month of October, 2000, revenue received was \$42,032.97. Total expenses were \$472,122.50.

At the close of business, October 31, 2000, total operating fund holdings were \$1,638,501.28 which were on deposit at HSBC and The Bank of New York, and in Petty Cash funds at Main and the Branches. This compares to an October 31, 1999, balance of \$1,651,428.28.

Additionally, the balance of the Main Building and Special Services fund was \$1,092,299.23; the Automated Library fund was \$123,465.62; the Restricted Gift fund was \$42,765.39; the Branch and Special Services fund was \$117,991.49. These funds totaled \$1,376,521.73 on October 31, 2000. The October 31, 1999, total was \$1,388,880.85.

Upon motion by Don Stern, seconded by Joyce Klein, and after discussion, it was, **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Trustees of the Great Neck Library, accept the November 28, 2000, Treasurer's Report with the Personnel Changes of October 6, 2000, through November 27, 2000.

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

Upon motion by Don Stern, seconded by Joyce Klein, 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 October 21, 2000, through November 20, 2000, Paid-Checks numbered 20936 through 21041, and To-Be-Paid Checks numbered 21042 through 21158, the sums set against their respective names, amounting in the aggregate to \$261,944.13.

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

## REPORTS

Director's Report (attached hereto)

### Questionnaires

Director Salita reported that the Main Library questionnaires are being processed. Dr. London anticipates having the tabulation and report completed toward the end of January, 2001.

**Public Comment:** *Ralene Adler*

### Personnel Committee

Trustee DiCamillo requested an update regarding staff contract negotiations. Such confidential memo will be sent to the Board.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### Regents Budget Proposal Endorsement

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 send a letter to the Governor in support of the New York State Board of Regents 2002 Budget Proposal of \$95 million which seeks to improve library service to all residents of New York State through a coordinated program of activities and initiatives.

Director Salita summarized the main points of the Regents Budget Proposal.

**Public Comment:** *Ralene Adler*

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

## **ANNOUNCEMENT**

### Petition Received – Citing Bylaws Article VI – Calling Special Meeting to Discuss Changing the Annual Meeting Date

President Weidman announced that a petition, calling for a special meeting, to consider changing the Annual Meeting date from the last consecutive Monday and Tuesday in January to a date in spring, was submitted with a cover letter signed by Murray Wallach. According to the Bylaws, a special meeting must be held within 120 days of the receipt of the petition. The closing date of this 120 day “window” is March 6, 2001. President Weidman said the petition request would be a priority consideration of the new Board to be elected at the 2001 Annual Meeting.

**Public Comment:** *Karen Rubin, Ralene Adler, Murray Wallach, Manny Kline*

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

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

Trustee Klein read a statement in response to Ralene Adler’s letter of November 7, 2000.

**Public Comment:** *Karen Rubin, Pearl Malcus, JoAnn Farley, William Morrill, Frank Phillips*

## **OPEN TIME**

**Public Comment:** *JoAnn Farley, William Morrill, Murray Wallach*

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by Mischa Schwartz, seconded by Marietta DiCamillo, the meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joyce Klein  
Secretary