

**Milford Public Library
Board of Directors
Regular Meeting
January 3, 2024**

Acting Board President, Mrs. Amanda Kemp, called the virtual meeting of the Board of Directors to order at 7:30 p.m., on January 3, 2024.

Present

Excused

Absent

Mrs. Kemp
Mrs. Creedon
Mrs. Oliver
Mrs. Zabinski
Mrs. Piselli
Ms. Uchaczyk
Mr. Smith
Ms. Carroll
Mr. Marlow
Ms. Federico
Ms. Angeli
Mrs. Thomas
Ms. Pilla

Public Presentation: None.

Disposition of Minutes: Motion to accept the minutes from December 6 as submitted. Moved and seconded by Mrs. Creedon, Mrs. Zabinski. Motion passed.

Secretary's Report: None.

Financial Report: None.

President's Report (Current News): Mrs. Kemp thanked former Board President, Mrs. Wanosky for the many years of serving on the MPL Board. If you have any suggestions/ideas for a parting gift, please submit to Mrs. Kemp. Mrs. Oliver reminded everyone that there is a sunshine club. A meeting to discuss an organized exit plan, going forward, TBD. Ms. Angeli announced that Mrs. Connie Gaynor will be sworn in the week of January 8 and rejoin the MPL Board in February.

Policy Committee: None. A discussion ensued regarding our Library of Things (LoT) display on the upper level, located between the meeting rooms and restrooms. LoT items will be cataloged just like books and checked out to anyone with a state library card. The two LoT agreements (Lending Policy & Borrowing, Donation) will be added to the committee agenda for discussion. A motion was made to approve the Fines & Fees portion. Moved and seconded by Mrs. Oliver, Ms. Uchaczyk. Motion carried.

Buildings & Grounds Committee: None.

Director's Report/Statistics/Strategic Plan/Library Budget: Ms. Angeli read her monthly report and added:

- Ms. Angeli, along with Mrs. Thomas, attended a FY 24/25 budget meeting with Mayor Giannattasio and the finance director on December 8. The Board of Finance meeting is TBD. Ms. Angeli will notify the board once confirmed.

Statistics – Two issues could account for the lower door count stat: (1) the door counter was down for two days, and (2) this is typical for the month of December.

Strategic Plan – Ms. Angeli went over the Strategic Plan. Discussions ensued regarding the 3D printer, survey of credit/debit card payment options, a “wish list” for LoT items and publicity.

Review of Director Goals – This was tabled to the February 7 Board Meeting.

2024 Library Board Meeting Calendar – A motion was made to approve monthly meeting dates for 2024, as submitted. Moved and seconded by Mrs. Creedon, Ms. Uchaczyk. Motion carried.

Friends of the Library Report: Ms. Pilla reported FOML purchased new shelving for the book sale. They were installed in December in the lower lobby. Their Board meets the week of January 8 and will discuss plans for 2024.

New Business: None.

Old Business: Founder's Walk - Mr. Marlow reported that he requested to be added to the email distribution list. Concerns about traffic hazards, pedestrians and parking for library patrons were discussed.

Motion to adjourn: 8:23 p.m. Moved and seconded by Mrs. Creedon, Mrs. Zabinski. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ms. Thomas
Board Clerk