

MINUTES
HEMPSTEAD PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD MEETING
6:00 p.m.

September 20, 2023

The regular meeting of the Hempstead Public Library Board of Trustees was held on Wednesday, September 20, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. with Chair Dorian R. Glover presiding.

Present were: Dorian R. Glover
Delores Kershaw
Reine Bethany
Maribel Toure
Irene Duszkievicz

Absent: Melissa Figueroa
Clariona Griffith, Trustee Village of Hempstead
Kevin Boone, Trustee Village of Hempstead

Guests present: Name/address not provided

The Board Chair led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The minutes of the June 21, 2023 Library Board meeting were accepted as written.

Moved by Trustee Toure, seconded by Trustee Kershaw and carried, approved the financial report for June 1, 2023 – June 30, 2023.

Moved by Trustee Toure, seconded by Trustee Kershaw and carried, approved the financial report for June 1, 2023 – July 31, 2023.

Moved by Trustee Kershaw, seconded by Trustee Toure and carried, approved the financial report for June 1, 2023 – August 31, 2023.

Director's Report:

- Repairs on the HVAC units have been started, but are not complete. Staff Room kitchen remodel completed. Water damage to Children's Room and Community Room entrances is not completed.
- Hofstra University will be providing tutors three days a week on an appointment basis. Library also provides Tutor.com to all patrons with a library card daily M-S in real time from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.
- The museum pass program has been operational for three months. Use statistics are being kept.
- Blood pressure equipment loan program is set up and patrons are borrowing units for a two-week period.
- Family Fun Fridays on the front lawn of the library during July and August were well attended. Many agencies participated and the children enjoyed the games, crafts, and storytelling. Weather conditions forced us to cancel outdoor activities.
- Nassau Library Tour was successful. 62,752 library visits were logged in at all Nassau libraries for the tour and 563 individuals finished the tour and the Hempstead Public Library had 1,300 visits. Our Board Chair was one of the participants.
- Library had a booth at National Night Out in August at Denton Green.
- Senator Kevin Thomas has awarded the library a \$10,000.00 grant.
- Board members were encouraged to complete their required training as required by law.

- Proposed Patron Behavior Policy was tabled. Item will be place on the October agenda.

Moved by Trustee Toure, seconded by Trustee Bethany and carried,
authorized payment of all bills listed on Bill Schedule #D-2250, in the amount of \$36,445.53 same having been reviewed by all members present.

Moved by Trustee Toure, seconded by Trustee Bethany and carried,
authorized payment of all bills listed on Bill Schedule #D-2251, in the amount of \$26,869.10 same having been reviewed by all members present.

Moved by Trustee Bethany, seconded by Trustee Kershaw and carried,
authorized payment of all bills listed on Bill Schedule #D-2252, in the amount of \$9,922.22 same having been reviewed by all members present.

Moved by Trustee Bethany, seconded by Trustee Kershaw and carried,
authorized payment of all bills listed on Bill Schedule #D-2253 in the amount of \$8,380.63 same having been reviewed by all members present.

Moved by Trustee Toure, seconded by Trustee Kershaw and carried,
authorized payment of all bills listed on Bill Schedule #D-2254 in the amount of \$11,977.18 same having been reviewed by all members present.

Moved by Trustee Bethany, seconded by Trustee Toure and carried,
authorized payment of all bills listed on Bill Schedule #D-2255 in the amount of \$14,350.00 same having been reviewed by all members present.

Moved by Trustee Bethany, seconded by Trustee Toure and carried,
authorized payment of all bills listed on Bill Schedule #D-2256 in the amount of \$30,557.04 same having been reviewed by all members present.

Moved by Trustee Kershaw, seconded by Trustee Bethany and carried,
authorized payment of all bills listed on Bill Schedule #D-2257 in the amount of \$44,324.00 same having been reviewed by all members present.

Moved by Trustee Toure, seconded by Trustee Bethany and carried,
authorized payment of all bills listed on Bill Schedule #D-2258 in the amount of \$9,133.36 same having been reviewed by all members present.

Moved by Trustee Toure, seconded by Trustee Kershaw and carried,
authorized payment of all bills listed on Bill Schedule #D-2259 in the amount of \$215.42 same having been reviewed by all members present.

A member of the public (name and address not provided) addressed several library related issues.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 18, 2023.