

Board of Trustees Minutes – December 17, 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library of Elizabeth, NJ, was held on December 17, 2019. President Elroy Delgado called the meeting to order at 5:51pm. A quorum was established by roll call.

ROLL CALL

Present: Eloy Delgado, Ted Freedman, Kenyetta Jackson, Kristin Kelly and Pearl Serratelli.

Absent: Aaron Goldblatt (Excused), Anne Russell (Excused), Earnestine Smith (Excused), Lorraine Tidd (Excused).

Also present were Mary Faith Chmiel, Library Director; Assistant Director, Andy Luck; and Celeste Layton, Office Manager, taking minutes.

Ms. Chmiel, Library Director, announced that adequate notice for this meeting was published in the Star Ledger. An announcement was also posted on the bulletin boards of the Main Library and its branches.

Visitors: Declined to identify

PRESENTATION OF BILLS AS OF DECEMBER 13, 2019:

- Check #28833 for \$375.00 to Rob Aptaker is related to a Native American presentation funded by the Snyder Foundation Grant.
- It was moved by Ms. Serratelli, seconded by Ms. Kelly to accept the December 2019 Bill List. Vote: Ayes: Mr. Eloy Delgado, Mr. Ted Freedman, Ms. Kenyetta Jackson, Ms. Kristin Kelly, and Ms. Pearl Serratelli. Nays: None. Abstentions: None.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Consult your packet for the complete report.

COMMUNICATIONS:

There were no communications.

NEW BUSINESS

- The slate of officers presented last month is the same as the existing list of officers. There were no other nominations.
- It was detailed in the Report of the Library Director that Chubb Institute significantly reduced the increase to the Library's insurance package cost.
- It was moved by Mr. Freedman, seconded by Ms. Serratelli to accept the slate of officers as presented. Vote: Ayes: Mr. Eloy Delgado, Mr. Ted Freedman, Ms. Kenyetta Jackson, Ms. Kristin Kelly, and Ms. Pearl Serratelli. Nays: None. Abstentions: None.
- It was moved by Mr. Freedman, seconded by Ms. Jackson to move the meeting to closed session. Vote: By Acclamation. Nays: None. Abstentions: None.
- It was moved by Mr. Freedman, seconded by Ms. Serratelli to move the meeting out of closed session. Vote: By Acclamation. Nays: None. Abstentions: None.

PERSONNEL

It was moved by Ms. Serratelli, seconded by Mr. Freedman to accept the resignation of Mariana Hernandez. Vote: By Acclamation. Nays: None. Abstentions: None.

ADJOURNMENT

- It was moved by Ms. Serratelli, seconded by Ms. Kelly to Adjourn. Vote: By Acclamation.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30pm

Submitted by Celeste Layton