

**Larchmont Public Library  
Board of Trustees  
Minutes of Meeting  
January 14, 2026**

The Larchmont Public Library Board of Trustees met on 1/14/26, attended by Library Board Chair Lauren Gottfried (LG), Library Trustees Galit Lopatin Bordereau (GLB), Barbara Liptack (BL), Barbara Flickinger (BF), Celeste Sharpe (CS), Library Trustee Jill Brennick (JB), Friends Liaison Ellie Berlin (EB), Village of Larchmont Liaison Ian Post (DP), Library Director Andrew Farber (AF), Library Staff Assistant Janet Regan (JR), and Head of Reference Paul Doherty (PD), and Friends of the Larchmont Library member Aron Schreier(AS). Library Trustee Linnet Tse (LT) was not present.

Library Board Chair LG called the meeting to order at 6:28 pm.

**Minutes**

The Board unanimously approved the minutes for the 12/10/25 Library Board .

**Board**

LG welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Friends**

**Committee Reports**

**Finance**

***Schedule of Bill:*** The Board unanimously approved the schedule of bills and the additional list of bills dated 1/14/26.

**Centennial**

JB gave an update from the centennial committee. The Library will be asking the friends for funds to purchase bookmarks, stickers, and tote bags. The committee is recommending putting up large banners both in and outside of the Library. The Library's webmaster is creating a centennial landing page.

**Facilities**

The new faucets have been installed, which should prevent the flooding issues going forward. The children's librarian's office has been completed. They are very grateful to the Friends for their generous donation.

We have been officially awarded the window grant, and are aware of a company on a state contract that we can piggyback on. AF will meet with them at the library.

We are waiting on Millburn flooring for the replacement flooring in front of Ryder's garden. Digital Provisions is on state contract and has provided a quote to install 21 new security cameras.

## **Resolutions**

GLB made a motion to accept Digital Provisions' quote for the security cameras in the amount of \$59,998.23. BF seconded. It was approved unanimously.

GLB made a motion to move \$18,015 from the restricted for library use fund to the general operating fund to cover last year's budget overage. BF seconded. It was approved unanimously.

## **Directors Report**

### **WLS Updates**

Larger-than-expected budget cuts announced; additional state reductions anticipated.

Electronic content changes implemented with minimal notice:

- Canopy limited to 5 tickets.
- Hoopla limited to 3 downloads per month.
- Renewal status uncertain for Mango Languages and Tutor.com.

Interlibrary delivery may be reduced from 6 days to 3 days per week.

- Expected delays in holds and potential staffing adjustments due to uneven daily volume.

## **Library Services & Programs**

Over 90,000 eBooks circulated; library ranks 7th in the county.

## **Events**

Interest in producing a library walking tour video (modeled after Mamaroneck Library) for the Centennial celebration, potentially in November.

Blood drive hosted with 35 participants.

Lions Club program ("Miracle on 34th Street") had strong attendance.

Free Play Lego program and other events reported as well attended.

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School visits scheduled; dates forthcoming.

## **Misc**

Attended an online training for the NYS annual report.

The Lions Club recognized the Library and Friends of the Library.

- Interest expressed in exploring future collaborative efforts.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:11. The next scheduled board meeting will be on 1/14/26 at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrew Farber

Library Director