Larchmont Public Library Board of Trustees Minutes of Meeting May 14, 2025

The Larchmont Public Library Board of Trustees met on 5/14/25, attended by Library Board Chair Lauren Gottfried (LG), Library Trustees Jill Brennick (JB), Linnet Tse (LT), Barbara Liptack (BL), Celeste Sharpe (CS), Town of Mamaroneck Liaison Sabrina Fiddelman (LSF), Library Director Andrew Farber, and Library Staff Assistant Janet Regan (JR). Head of Reference Paul Doherty (PD), Library Trustees Galit Lopatin Bordereau (GLB), Barbara Flickinger (BF), Friends of Larchmont Liaison Ellie Berlin (EB), and Village of Larchmont Liaison Dana Post (DP) were not present.

Library Board Chair LG called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

Minutes

The Board unanimously approved the minutes for the April 9, 2025, Library Board meeting.

<u>Board</u>

LG welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Friends

The Friends of the Larchmont Library gave no report. EB was not in attendance.

Committee Reports

Finance

Schedule of Bills and Performance Report: The Board unanimously approved the schedule of bills and the additional list of bills dated 5/14/25.

Centennial

The Centennial committee did not meet this month.

Facilities

AF reported that the children's room elevator sensor needs to be replaced. Otis requires payment up front, or there is a price increase.

Verizon will be migrating the Library's phone system from copper lines to fiber-optic lines. This should remove the static that has become an increasing problem for the Library.

The Library has determined that carpenter ants have infested the 1995 windows. We have a grant to replace the windows, but we need to treat the infestation.

The Friends of the Larchmont Library have generously agreed to fund the Village Center renovations.

The main entrance to the Library requires power washing, patching, and painting. We have the option to close the entrance for the day or do the work on a Sunday at a higher rate.

Resolutions

LT made a motion to approve the resolution that we accept the Otis elevator repair invoice in the amount of \$5600. JB seconded. The resolution was unanimously approved.

CS made a motion to approve the resolution that the Library provide a stipend of \$3500 to Iven Taub for his work on the CSEA union contract negotiations. BL seconded. The resolution was unanimously approved.

LT made a motion to approve the resolution that we accept the Otis elevator repair invoice in the amount of \$5600. JB seconded. The resolution was unanimously approved.

JB made a motion to approve a 3% salary increase for JR. CS seconded. The resolution was unanimously approved.

JB made a motion to approve a \$300 bonus for JR. CS seconded. The resolution was unanimously approved.

JB made a motion to approve a \$500 bonus for PD. CS seconded. The resolution was unanimously approved.

Director's Report

The children's department has recently had two successful programs, a no-sew squish creatures workshop and a Paint Pen Palooza. Summer reading videos are being created to market our annual summer reading contest. They will be hosting their popular stuffed animal sleepover next month. They have also received their new self-check machine, which the Friends of the Larchmont Library funded.

The adult department has started a new popup book club, the cookbook book club. A new bookclub webpage has been created and added to our website. We will be hosting a blood drive at the end of the month.

The board moved to executive session at 7:18 to discuss personnel matters and left executive session at 7:27.

The meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm. The next scheduled Board Meeting will be held on 5/14/25 at 6:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Andrew Farber Library Director