

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, February 23, 2022
Recorded virtual meeting

President Nick Ciampa called the meeting to order at 5:48 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Nick stated that the virtual meeting was being held in compliance with the **Open Public Meetings Act**.

Roll Call:

Kevin McNeil	<i>excused</i>	Nicholas Ciampa	<i>present</i>	Nabil Choueiri (NBC)	<i>present</i>
Iris Kislin	<i>present</i>	Mayor Kramer	<i>present</i>	Edward Ward	<i>excused</i>
Tianna Gresham	<i>present</i>	Agnes Kulu-Banya	<i>present</i>		
January Adams	<i>present</i>				

Nick opened the meeting to public comment. There being no comments, the meeting was closed to public comments.

Iris motioned to approve the minutes of the January 26 meeting. NBC seconded and all were in favor.

Director's Report:

January presented the financial reports of the **Director's report** for the month of January. The financial reports were filed for audit.

January highlighted various aspects of the narrative section of her monthly report. She noted that:

- Construction fencing and an excavator have been moved to the southern branch building site.
- The Adult Services Department had scheduled 27 adult programs that 387 people attended. The Youth Services Department held 15 programs that were enjoyed by 136 people.
- All three winter reading programs are underway and will conclude on February 28. To date, 63 adults, 49 teens, and 63 children have signed up.
- Attendance at the virtual storytimes offered at the Franklin Park branch increased in January.

President's Report:

Nick reported that he had received an email shortly before the meeting stating that an inspection of the fire suppression system at the Lewis Street branch library had been scheduled for Friday. If successful, a TCO should follow.

Correspondence and communications:

- *Publishers Weekly*: "Know Nothings," by Harvey J. Graff, January 3, 2022
- *Franklin Reporter & Advocate*: "Township Library Partnership Seen As Model for Somerset County," January 29, 2022

Old Business:

Mayor Kramer reported that he had contacted two writers to see if they would be interested in writing the sequel to the Franklin Township history book. Both stated that they were flattered to be asked, but have not indicated interest in the project. So, the search will continue.

New Business:

There were no comments or concerns about the 20/21 library audit that board members had received.

The meeting was opened for the second of two public comment opportunities. There being no members of the public who wished to speak, Nick asked if board members wished to make comments. Agnes praised the police department's quick response to a recent situation. The Mayor added that Director Maeweather has done a great job. The second public comment portion of the meeting was closed.

The next meeting will be March 23, 2022 via Zoom.

NBC motioned to adjourn, Tianna seconded, all were in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 6:02.

January Adams
Director of Library Services