

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
HAUPPAUGE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
January 19, 2022
Hauppauge Public Library**

Present

Mr. Julian Aptowitz
Mr. Stephen Bard
Ms. Nayana Mehta
Mr. Ralph Plotke
Mr. John White
Mr. Matthew Bollerman, Chief Executive Officer
Ms. Fran Palumbo, Head of Research and Instruction

Mr. Bard called the Meeting to Order at 7:00 p.m.

Motion to accept the Minutes of the December 20, 2021 Board Meeting (Plotke, Aptowitz) passed 5-0.

Treasurer's Report

The Chief Executive Officer reviewed the reports with the Board.

Motion to accept the January 19, 2022 operating warrant \$223,797.11 (Mehta, Plotke) passed 5-0.

Correspondence

A letter from Sterling National Bank informed us of their upcoming name change to Webster Bank. Kathleen Brett thanked the Board of Trustees for the recognition given to her and her Mom for the passing of Dr. Michael J. LaBella.

Chief Executive Officer's Report

Fran Palumbo, Head of Research and Instruction presented on various collections the Library held: coats, hats, scarfs and toys. The Library had a gift wrapping station in December that was well received. A collection of medication is being worked on with the local precinct of the Suffolk County Police Department. The Library is planning on working with AARP volunteers to provide tax preparation assistance. The Chief Executive Officer reported on the Library's recent experiences with COVID19. The Library has been able to remain open while keeping its staff and guests safe following the guidelines given. The CEO and full-time staff are continuing their development of a new strategic plan. Meetings are ongoing with a final delivery to the Board in March. The 2022 Annual Library election plans are moving forward. The Board suggested the CEO hold a thank you event for Assemblyman Michael Fitzpatrick for helping secure the

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bullet aid and also the have a ceremony for achieving the Sustainable Libraries Certification Program.

Committee Reports

None

Old Business

Motion to adopt the 2022/23 Proposed Operating Budget of \$2,920,809 (Plotke, White) passed 5-0.

New Business

Motion to adopt the Notice of Special District Meeting (Plotke, Mehta) passed 5-0.

Period for Public Expression

None.

Personnel Report

None

General Discussion

The Board asked the CEO some questions and sought explanations on various library topics.

Executive Session

None

Motion to adjourn at 8:49 p.m. (Plotke, Aptowitz) passed 5-0.