



Free Library of Northampton Township

Library Board Meeting

December 12, 2024

Board Members Present: Chip Heim (President), Janet Braker (Vice President), Eleanora Rosso (Secretary), Charles Beem, Larry Blumenthal

Staff Present: Wayne Lahr (Library Director)

Citizens Present: None

Call to Order

Vice-President called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM.

Reading of Library Mission and Vision Statement

Lahr read the Mission and Vision Statements.

Approval of September 2024 Minutes

The Board approved the November 2024 Minutes unanimously.

Library Director Report

- **Library Budget** – The 2025 Library Budget was shared. There was some discussion about the fund balance. The Director will invite the Finance Director to a future meeting to take a closer look at the budget and answer questions.

Strategic Plan Status

- Priority #1 – Build a Culture of Learning
 - No update
- Priority #2 – Community Partnerships
 - No update
- Priority #3 – Effective Communication
 - Had meeting with Swell on Nov 21 to review the feedback they received from the stakeholders they met with on 10/30. There is a meeting with them again on December 16 to review the Brand Strategy Brief they are preparing.
 - Working on developing an RFP for the redesign of the website. Meeting next Wednesday to finalize the RFP.

- **Priority #4 – Contemporary Facilities (Interior and Exterior)**
 - The original Committees, 4a and 4b, will be one committee moving forward after decision to include exterior and interior grounds and facilities improvements would be considered in whole by the architect firm chosen to begin work on phase #1 of our project studies.
 - The Director will be scheduling a meeting with the committee for early January to review the two architectural firms under consideration and determine the selection process.

Friends of the Free Library of Northampton Township Report

- No update

2025 Library Closing Dates

- The Director presented a proposed closing date calendar for 2025. The calendar was approved unanimously.

Public Comment

None

For the Good of the Order / Miscellaneous

None

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Eleanora K. Rosso

Eleanora Rosso (Secretary)

12/14/24

Date