

Free Library of Northampton Township

Library Board Meeting

September 11, 2025

Board Members Present: Larry Blumenthal (Vice President), Eleanora Rosso (Secretary), Jessica Freundel (Treasurer), Charles Beem, Janet Braker

Staff Present: Wayne Lahr (Library Director)

Citizens Present: Paula Gasper (Board of Supervisors Liaison)

Call to Order

President called the meeting to order at 6:41 PM.

Reading of Library Mission and Vision Statement

Lahr read the Mission and Vision Statements.

Approval of June 2025 Minutes

The Board approved the June 2025 Minutes unanimously.

Library Director Report

- The Director distributed his monthly report in advance of the meeting. There were no questions or discussion.
- Northampton Day is 9/14, 10-4; Eleanora and Charles have volunteered to assist;
- Senator Farry hosting Senior Expo on 9/25 at Northampton Valley Country Club and two library staff members are scheduled to represent the library.
- Branding and Website Launch: event to announce new brand design and website held earlier tonight. We had excellent attendance.
- Bucks County Free Library District is hosting a Leadership Retreat on 10/4 for Library Directors and Board Members.

Strategic Plan Status

- Priority #1 Build a Culture of Learning
 - Nothing to report but next focus area will be to assess what non-traditional materials should be added to the collection and promote non-traditional items already offered – "Library of Things", as discussed previously.
- Priority #2 Community Partnerships
 - The Director attended the Northampton Business and Professional Association meetings in June and August.

- Priority #3 Effective Communication
 - o As mentioned above, the brand and new website launch event occurred today.
- Priority #4 Contemporary Facilities (Interior and Exterior)
 - o We received copies of the Master Plan. Township Administration has asked OPN to provide quotes for their role in the next phase.

o The plan has not yet been presented to the Township Supervisors.	
Public Comment None	
For the Good of the Order / Miscellaneous None	
Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:27 PM.	
Respectfully submitted,	
Eleanora K. Rosso	9/12/25
Eleanora Rosso (Secretary)	Date