# Mount Laurel Library Association, Inc. Board of Trustees Minutes of Board Meeting September 17, 2025

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

6:05PM

### **FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION:**

Provided by Ms. Sacharow

### **OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW STATEMENT:**

Ms. Sacharow stated that this meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of the meeting was provided by way of the <u>Burlington County Times</u>, the <u>Courier Post</u>, and the <u>Mount Laurel Sun</u>, and it was posted in the library and on its website.

### **ROLL CALL:**

Chris Bleiholder - Present
Noreen Duffey - Absent
Denise Gamble - Present
Roger Gibson - Absent
Fozia Janjua - Present
Susan Rovi - Present
Fredda Sacharow - Present
Stephanie Sawyer - Absent
Alla Rose - Absent

### **ALSO PRESENT:**

John Carleton, Esq.- Library Attorney Becky Boydston- Library Director Ashley Kacey- Library Administrative Assistant Stacie Riker-McNulty - Assistant Director

### **APPROVAL of MINUTES:**

Approval of August 20, 2025 minutes of meeting: Motion to approve: Ms. Janjua

2<sup>nd</sup>: Ms. Rovi All in favor

## APPROVAL of the September 12, 2025 BILL LIST in the amount of \$71,823.45 and the September 17, 2025 BILL LIST ADDENDUM in the amount of \$52,882.47:

Motion to approve: Mr. Bleiholder

2<sup>nd</sup>: Ms. Janjua Roll Call: 5 yes votes

### **REPORT FROM LIBRARY STAFF:**

Becky Boydston reported on the participation in this year's summer reading compared to last year. The program did not monitor the minutes read but instead the number of books read. Ms. Boydston reported on a Trustee training session and will send out an email with the session's recording. A reminder that the Board still needs some hours to complete the 7-hour training requirement for the year. Ms. Boydston reported that shelving for the Large Print section of the library has been assembled, and the library is in the process of moving the large print section back to its permanent location near the information desk. Additional shelves may be needed to ensure adequate room for all the large print books. Ms. Boydston also reported the generous donation from the Friends of the Library in the amount of \$22,362.25. The donation will cover the cost of a new digital magnifier for people with low vision, as well as the cost of Hoopla through the end of the year.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

None

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Ms. Gamble shared that the New Jersey State Bar Foundation is offering a free 'Be an Informed Voter' webinar Wednesday October 8, 2025.

Affidavit for audit was signed by all board members present.

Stacie Riker-McNulty, the Library's Assistant Director, will be named a signatory on the Library's depository operating account.

The current approved signers are:
Library Director – Becky Boydston
Assistant Director – Stacie Riker-McNulty
Administrative Assistant – Ashley Kacey
Mount Laurel Township CFO – Tara Krueger

Mount Laurel Township Manager – Meredith Riculfy

### 2025-034 AUTHORIZE DIRECTOR TO CONDUCT BUSINESS ON BEHALF OF LIBRARY

Motion to Approve: Mr. Bleiholder

2<sup>nd</sup>: Ms. Gamble Roll Call: 5 yes votes

2025-035 SELL SURPLUS ON BETTER WORLD BOOKS

Motion to Approve: Mr. Bleiholder

2<sup>nd</sup>: Ms. Janjua Roll Call: 5 yes votes

2025-036 SELL SURPLUS THROUGH FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Motion to Approve: Mr. Bleiholder

2<sup>nd</sup>: Ms. Janjua Roll Call: 5 yes votes Ms. Boydston received an email from board member Alla Rose, resigning from her position with the board. Ms. Boydston will notify the Township Manager of the opening and an application for the position will be available on the township's website.

Motion to Approve: Ms. Rovi 2<sup>nd</sup>: Mr. Bleiholder All in favor

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**:

None

### **ADJOURNMENT**:

Motion to adjourn at 6:22pm: Mr. Bleiholder 2<sup>nd</sup>: Ms. Rovi All in favor