

Glen Cove Public Library
Board of Trustees
Unapproved Minutes
June 16th, 2026

I. Attendance:

Present: Trustees Michael Maher Joanne Yee, Antonia Petrash, Neil Ackerman, Treasurer Rocco Abbondandolo, Director Joanna Cabo and Librarian III Carol Stern

Absent: Trustee Richard Leff

Guests: Amanda Fisk, Dave Nieri, Victoria Christie, Nabil Azamy, Beth Cipriano, Ida Johnson

The meeting was called to order at 6:43pm by Board President Michael Maher.

II. Minutes:

- Approval of prior minutes and includes from last minutes that “Richard Leff’s thanks everyone”. The minutes of the regular Board meeting of May 19, 2026, were read. A Motion to accept the minutes was made by Neil Ackerman. Seconded by Joanne Yee. All in favor accepting meeting minutes.

III. Bills:

Review of June Warrant June 16, 2026, from May 20, 2026 to June 16, 2026

- The warrant for June 16 2026 covering May 20, 2026 to June 16, 2026 for total transaction \$119,731.51 was presented for approval. A motion to approve the June warrant was made by Antonia Petrash. Seconded by Neil Ackerman. All in favor.
- Conclusion: Warrants approved; no objections recorded.
- These were warrant contents that Director bought up if non-direct deposit employee checks should appear on warrant reports that include payroll information which non-direct deposit employee checks appear and direct deposit do not. Conclusion, these contents are already public info and posted on the website.

Treasurer’s Report for May 2026

- Opening cash balance: \$2,869,810.62
- Cash receipts: \$85,780.76
- Disbursements: \$229,450.43
- Ending cash: \$2,726,140.95

- Budget status for the eleven months ended in May, 9.49% overall on target, with some categories under/over. Clarified on other cash items which include credit card and payroll items. A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Joanne Yee. Seconded by Neil Ackerman. All in favor.

IV. Director's Report

- **Budget Vote & Trustee Election:** Board Election and Oath, Dave Nieri elected to a five-year term beginning July 1, 2026 with 141 total votes (118 Yes, 29 No). Judge Joseph Capobianco scheduled to administer the oath on July 21, 2026 at 6:45 PM.
- **Personnel** Avery McMahon resigned and will be leaving, her last day is on June 11, 2026; pursuing a paid internship at FIT. Michael Fitzpatrick is retiring and his last day is in the building will be October 2026 but on payroll until December 30, 2026.

Proposed Appointment Marianna Oropallo, Part time clerk effective July 7, 2026 at \$17.50/hour. Her experience includes Barnes & Noble; highest score (90) on clerk test. A motion to approve was made by Neil Ackerman. Seconded by Joanne Yee. All in favor.

Question on Hiring: Interviews starting for a part-time position due to downsized duties. Recruitment via library schools ie. (University at Buffalo online program, Queens College; possibly LIU) and postings. Candidate scheduled Thursday; lives in Glen Cove; nearing completion of library science degree.

- **Miscellaneous:** Facilities and Equipment: Four new staff computers installed to replace the oldest staff computers and more replacements planned using the new fiscal year budget. Second handrail to be installed on stairs to the community room to improve safety.

V. Committee Reports

Friends of the Library Report by Antonia Petrash due to Bryce A. Mack absent.

- **Fundraising:** Recent plant sale over \$400 and they hosed a table at trivia night and raffled plants giveaways..

VI. Old Business

- Snowden Lake Grievance/Sunday Snow Day Pay memorandum of agreement to be discussed in executive session.

VII. New Business

Open Meetings Law Compliance. NLS guidance: Agenda records, reports, and documents under discussion must be made available at least 24 hours prior to the meeting, in hard copy and on the website when feasible. Clarifications: Board packet emailed before the meeting must be posted online 24 hours prior. Materials for executive sessions are exempt. Items discussed but not voted on do not necessarily need to be posted, but items to be voted on should be included. Director will implement posting 24 hours prior going forward.

- **Motion to Open Executive Section at 7:07pm to discuss Managerial Compensation and Ending Executive Session at 7:48pm**

The board discussed the matter in executive session, but voted in public giving a 2.57% increase retroactive to Jan 2026. A motion to approve was made by Neil Ackerman. Seconded by Antonia Petrash. All in favor.

VIII. Adjournment

- Meeting Adjourned: 7:52pm
- Next regular meeting: Tuesday, July 21, 2026 6:45pm in the History Room of the Glen Cove Library
- There being no further business to bring before the Board of Trustees, a motion to adjourn was made by Neil Ackerman... Seconded by Joanne Yee. All in favor.

Recorded by:

Approved by :

Joanne Yee, Secretary

Neil Ackerman, Board of Trustee