



**BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MARCH 31, 2016**

PRESENT:

Alan Greenberg, President (arrived 8:20pm)  
Warren Vegh, Vice President  
Diane Parr, Secretary  
Carol Arnone, Trustee  
Barbara Mosca, Trustee

Lisa Caputo, Library Director  
Michael Simon, Assistant Director  
Jill Lessard, Administrative Assistant  
Ralph Madalena, Attorney  
Richard Klenkel, Treasurer

➤ Trustee Vegh called the meeting to order at 7:16p.m.

➤ ***The Minutes as updated from February 24, 2016*** were moved for approval by Trustee Parr, seconded by Trustee Mosca, and unanimously approved with the exception of Trustee Greenberg, who arrived late.

➤ ***The Minutes from March 9, 2016*** were moved for approval by Trustee Mosca, seconded by Trustee Arnone, and unanimously approved with the exception of Trustee Greenberg.

➤ ***The Approval of Bills and Schedules 1015, 1016, 1017, and 1018*** were moved for approval by Trustee Mosca, seconded by Trustee Arnone, and unanimously approved with the exception of Trustee Greenberg.

➤ ***Bank Signatories*** – Trustees Mosca, Parr, and Vegh volunteered to be the bank signatories.

➤ ***Meeting Room Request - Nassau County Girl Scouts*** did not show up, possibly due to the date change. Trustee Mosca moved to approve the request ***as proposed*** (Thursdays, April 7 and April 21 from 6:30 – 7:30 pm; expected attendance is 10 scouts). Should any changes be needed, the GS would have to resubmit their request. Seconded by Trustee Parr and unanimously approved, with the exception of Trustee Greenberg.

➤ ***The Director presented her report.*** She began with the Music Festivals. Jazz Festival organizer Steve Adelson gave a brief synopsis of festivals past and future, and asked for the Library's support for this year's festival in the amount of \$5,900. Motioned by Trustee Parr, seconded by Trustee Arnone, and unanimously approved with the exception of Trustee Greenberg.

Next addressed was the Skelos grant, and the feasibility of using it towards the purchase of a generator for the Library as voted on at a previous meeting. The Assistant Director, who had



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prepared and sent out the Requests for Proposals (RFPs) to various architectural and engineering firms in Nassau and Suffolk counties, first spoke of similar projects other libraries had undertaken and the associated costs. He then summarized what would be involved to procure a new generator for this Library. In addition to funding for the generator itself, there are many other “cost” items (i.e. feasibility study, engineering fees, project supervision, etc.), all of which amount to a major financial commitment beyond the \$25,000 granted. The Assistant Director feels the minimum investment for the Library would be around \$250k. As such, the Board voted unanimously (with the exception of Trustee Greenberg) to reject the generator and reinvestigate ways to utilize the grant. They asked the Director to present some alternate ideas (i.e. 3D printing & MakerSpace, Electronic Advertising, Sound System for the Auditorium, upgrading the Telephone System, etc.) at the next meeting. Motioned by Trustee Mosca, seconded by Trustee Vegh.

Andrew Hornberger of the LBNY Arts council gave a spirited presentation showcasing the work of two renowned artists, Scherezade Garcia and Julia Santos Solomon, who have offered to create murals on the façade of the library for little to no cost. The Board, after a follow up Q&A session, tabled voting on the proposal and advised Mr. Hornberger they would try to have a decision for him in advance of the June cutoff date, which is necessary so the artists have ample time to gather resources for the ambitious project.

The Board accepted the resignation of Nancy Hoffman, F/T library clerk, effective April 30, 2016. Moved by Trustee Mosca, seconded by Trustee Vegh , and unanimously approved.

The Board accepted the resignation of Arlene Toback, P/T circulation clerk, effective February 23, 2016. Moved by Trustee Parr, seconded by Trustee Mosca, and unanimously approved.

The Board accepted the appointment of Lisa Steinberg, P/T circulation clerk, effective March 21, 2016. Moved by Trustee Mosca, seconded by Trustee Arnone, and unanimously approved.

The Board was made aware of the FEMA information provided, prepared by the Administrative Assistant, which they had requested at the last meeting.

The Board voted to approve up to \$1,000 to further fund (if necessary) the purchase of a 3D printer for the Library. Long Beach resident and parent, Siegy Adler and the Alan Greenberg Foundation have each pledged \$1000 dollars toward the purchase ; the Long Beach Friends of the Library have pledged \$500. Motioned by Trustee Mosca, seconded by Trustee Parr, and unanimously approved.



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The Director advised the Budget vote is on Tuesday May 17, and asked the Board if they wanted to continue the past practice of holding a special public meeting as a last chance for the community to ask questions about the budget. She suggested that the meeting be held May 11 at 7pm. The Board asked the Attorney to investigate whether said meeting was necessary, and put off voting on the matter until such time as the Attorney obtained that information.

The Board voted to accept the 2017-17 Proposed Budget. Moved by Trustee Parr, seconded by Trustee Greenberg, and unanimously accepted.

The Director thanked Edie Kalickstein for her efforts and inspiration in securing a 2016 NYSCA Long Island Creative Communities Grant, in partnership with the Huntington Arts Council, in the amount of \$4,794.

In closing her report, the Director advised the multiple Meetings and Workshops she had attended since the last meeting. She also gave a brief report on the new West End Branch Book Club, which seemed to be well received by the community.

➤ **Staff Reports** – the Assistant Director’s report was included in the packet for review.

➤ **There were no Correspondence items.**

➤ **The Old Business items (2016-17 Budget and Skelos Grant) were previously addressed.**

➤ **The New Business items** (Meeting Room, Bank Signatories, LBNY Arts Council, 3D Printer, Jazz Festival funding) were previously addressed.

➤ **Good and Welfare** – Jo-Ann Phillips, the founder and organizer of the LB Roxx festival, gave a heartfelt speech regarding her passion for music, and her desire to share it with the rest of the Long Beach community. She requested additional funding for her festival, and the board advised they would take it under consideration.

➤ **There were no CSEA items.**

➤ **The Personnel items were previously addressed.**

➤ The **Date and Time of Next Meeting**, April 20, 2016, Executive Session at 6:30 p.m., Public Session at 7:00 p.m., as moved by Trustee Parr, seconded by Trustee Mosca, and unanimously approved.

➤ The Attorney advised the he had met with the School District representative, and that they were



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still working on the InterMunicipal Agreement (IMA).

➤ The meeting was **Adjourned** at 9:15 p.m., so moved by Trustee Vegh, seconded by Trustee Mosca, and unanimously approved.