President Davidson called the Annual Meeting to order at 7:39 p.m.

Present: Trustees Barnett, Bullard, Davidson, Fennell, Gates-Bonarius, Heffernan, Howard, Director Loomis, Assistant Director Sandak.

Absent: None

Public Comment: None

President Davidson commenced the meeting by motioning to elect the following slate of officers to serve for the upcoming year.

President Davidson asked if Allan Barnett, and Emily Heffernan would be willing to accept another term as a board member, and they agreed. The board voted unanimously to have them reappointed.

President: Anthony Davidson, Vice President: Gerry Howard, Treasurer: TBA, Secretary: Heather Bullard.

President Davidson made a motion that the nominees be elected to the positions shown above and was approved unanimously.

Director Loomis asked that all board members sign the Conflict of Interest Annual Review and Reaffirmation.

Trustee Bullard explained that she sometimes helps with fundraisers for the library and gets paid for this work. She explained that this could be a conflict of interest. President Davidson asked that this conflict be waved and the board agreed unanimously.

President Davidson then explained and discussed the Tax cap override resolution. He put forth the following resolution:

“Tax Cap Override Resolution”
Whereas, the adoption of the 2023 budget for the Tuxedo Park Library may require a tax levy increase that exceeds the tax cap imposed by state law as outlined in General Municipal Law Section 3-c adopted in 2011; and
Whereas, General Municipal Law Section 3-c expressly permits the library board to override the tax levy limit by a resolution approved by a vote of sixty percent of qualified board members; now therefore be it

Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Tuxedo Park Library voted and approved to exceed the tax levy limit for 2023 by at least the sixty percent of the board of trustees as required by state law on January 12, 2022.

This motion was made by Trustee Fennell and approved unanimously.

On a motion made by Bullard, seconded by Trustee Barnett and approved unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 7:48pm

Respectfully submitted, Heather Bullard Secretary
Tuxedo Park Library

Meeting Minutes

APPROVED
January 12, 2022

President Davidson called the meeting to order at 7:50 PM.

Present: Trustees Bullard, Davidson, Fennell, Gates-Bonarius, Heffernan, Howard, Director Loomis, Assistant Director Sandak.

Absent: None

Public Comments: None

Minutes: On a motion by Trustee Fennell, the December 2021 Board of Trustees meeting minutes were approved as amended.

Treasurer’s Report:

President Davidson reported that the ERC check arrived and was $44,000+ which included interest. The library is still trying to get all the paperwork straight with Paychex company. He went on to explain that the library budget is on target for the year, and the library’s finances are in great shape.

Authors’ Circle:

Gerry reported that in-person events are not looking possible with the Covid outlook right now, we will probably do the next several events remotely. The Authors’ Circle event with Author Debby Applegate, will be on February 6th discussing her new book Madame. The next author talk is scheduled for April 3rd, The Doctors Blackwell, written author by Janice P. Nimura, as a conversation with Katie.

Building and grounds:

Director Loomis reported that there have been 2 repairs with the glass doors in the lower level. She went on to report another problem with the restroom lock in the lower level. The lock wasn’t working correctly and now it has been fixed and has been replaced with easily emergency open locks.

Directors report:

Director Loomis reported that the annual fundraising letter went out on December 22nd, and we have already received $10,000. The library has changed the online event registration calendar.
She reported that there was a great program with author Neil Shusterman, and was well attended and the kids really enjoyed it. RCLS helped arrange this program, and was great to have the teens here and very excited for this program.

Assistant Director reported that Mrs. Blume’s second grade has been coming in every three weeks. The last visit they made a bookmark and each were allowed to take out 2 books.

Director Loomis reported that the circulation is trending up again, which is a great sign. She went on to report a new wifi antenna will be installed outside the library this spring and will expand the wifi’s reach outside the building.

Friends: No report

Strategic planning:

The implementation plan was distributed among the board members to review.

Memorial Day Picnic:

Director Loomis reported that Claudia Bakhtiary has agreed to once again Chair the Memorial Day Committee. A meeting will be scheduled to discuss moving forward with creating a Memorial Day picnic.

Meeting ended 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Heather Bullard, Secretary