

**Tuxedo Park Library
Annual Meeting Minutes Approved
January 15th, 2025**

Meeting called to order at 7:34 pm

Attendance: Trustees Davidson, Fennell, Bakhtiary, Bullard, Poggioli, Director Loomis, and Assistant Director Sandak

Remote: Trustee Tris Gates Bonaris

Absent: Trustee Howard

Public comment: none

President Davidson started the meeting by reappointing Trustee Poggioli. Trustee Fennell nominated trustees Howard and Davidson for the finance committee, and reappointed Trustees Bonaris, and Fennell for the Nominating committee. All trustees accepted and were unanimously reappointed.

Then the proposed slate of officers for 2024 were unanimously reappointed. Tony Davidson for President, Gerry Howard for Vice President and Heather Bullard for Secretary, and Treasurer to be determined.

Director Loomis brought forward the Conflict of Interest Annual Review and reaffirmation, where trustee Bullard stated she sometimes offers catering which is at cost or donated. All trustees agreed there is no conflict of Interest with any of these trustees.

President Davidson went on to discuss the "Tax Cap Override Resolution". He moved that we approved the following resolution. The resolution was approved unanimously.

Whereas, the adoption of the 2026 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 2026 by at least the sixty percent of the board of trustees as required by state law on January 15, 2025.

President Davidson ended the annual meeting at 7:46pm.

Respectfully submitted, Heather Bullard

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Minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting Approved
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Minutes:

The December 2024 minutes will be approved at a future meeting.

Treasurer's report:

President Davidson reported for the treasurer and stated that the library's financials are on track for the year. The annual fundraising account letter has raised approximately 16,895 for the annual appeal.

Director's report:

Director Loomis report was circulated prior to the meeting. She reported that the annual appeal letter went out to 530 households, and donations have exceeded last year at this time. She went on to discuss and review the library statistics with digital checkouts increasing by 24% this year.

Committee Reports

Authors' Circle:

Director Loomis reported that we will have James Kaplan on Friday, March 14th at 5:00pm discussing 3 Shades of Blue with a listening party, and its Pi day, and we will celebrate with Pizza pie, and Heather's pie.

Building and Grounds: No report.

Friends of the library: No report.

Memorial Day:

Trustee Bahktiary reported that the last meeting was cancelled due to bad weather, and the next meeting will be on Feb 8th.

New Business:

Director Loomis reviewed the proposed 2024 Highlights Report which was approved unanimously.

President Davidson discussed that all NY state residents are eligible for a NYC public library card which allows them to access the NYC public library digital collection. With the physical card, you can then access NYC perks culture pass.

The January 2024 meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Heather Bullard