

**Roselle Park Veterans Memorial Library
404 Chestnut Street
Roselle Park, NJ 07204**

MINUTES

Date: December 18, 2024

Meeting: Library Board of Trustees

Place: Roselle Park Veterans Memorial Library

Time: 7:00 pm

1. Call to order
2. Announcement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings law
3. Roll call
 - i. President Brook Paskewich - present
 - ii. Sue Carlstrom - present
 - iii. Director Alex D'Yan - present
 - iv. Giuliana Melo - present
 - v. Dexter DelaCruz - present
 - vi. Jeff Regan - present
 - vii. Daniel LaPorte - present
 - viii. Angie Perez - present
 - ix. Nora Posadas - absent
 - x. Council Liaison Rosanna Lyons - present
4. Flag salute
5. Approval of the minutes: November 20, 2024
Jeff makes motion, Sue seconds
6. Financial Report/ Action on bills:
Angie make motion, Sue seconds, all in favor.
7. Program or Guest Speaker - None
8. Correspondence:

**From Disabled American Veterans
to Knitting & Crocheting Group of Roselle Park Veterans Memorial Library**

9. President's Report:
 - Long serving staff member retired (Linda), had a nice going away party
 - Be ready for Jan. to prepare discussion and recommendation for summer hours, at latest in Feb.
 - Cooking exchange was very nice and well attended
 - Compensation committee will need to discuss a salary raise request from contractor for the library
 - Discussion around collecting and lending out things like prom dresses or other things that are expensive but often one time use
10. Children's Department Report:
 - report provided to committee
 - Total of 515 program attendees, including crafts, story times, lego club class visits and other

activities

11. Director's Report:

- Report provided to committee for review
- Discussion seeing the variety of programs offered at the library that meet needs of wide array of community members

12. Report of Superintendent of Schools:

- Discussion of murals with art teachers – very interested but won't be till after new year. Just need to think about ways to navigate time (for example doing something on boards and then placing on the walls). Question of when and scope.

13. Report of the Liaison for Mayor and Council:

- Cookie exchange was enjoyable, great event
- Great to see more social media posts about activities

14. Reports of Special Committees:

- Summer hours needs – update and plans to share out in Jan 2025 to make staffing decisions

15. Public Portion:

- No public

16. Old Business:

- any interest in the library having a piano donated?
- Library website – contractor selected by library board director (\$2000 bid) to do the website, work is in progress and is anticipated to meet our needs

17. New Business:

- Personnel committee to meet to discuss request from contractor for bookkeeping services

Meeting Adjourned: 7:45PM – Sue makes motion, Jeff seconds

Next meeting date is: **January 15, 2025**

*If you cannot make the meeting, please contact the library or Board President prior to the meeting.

Thank you!