

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
HAUPPAUGE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

April 20, 2026

Hauppauge Public Library

Present

Mr. Steve Bard
Ms. Barbara Leventhal
Mr. Ralph Plotke
Mr. John White
Mr. Matthew Bollerman, Chief Executive Officer
Ms. Fran Palumbo, Head of Adult Services

Guests

Christopher D'Antonio

Excused

Ms. Nayana Mehta

Mr. White called the Meeting to Order at 7:00 p.m.

Motion to accept the Minutes of the March 30, 2026 Board Meeting (Plotke, Leventhal) passed 4-0.

Treasurer's Report

The Chief Executive Officer reviewed the reports with the Board.

Motion to accept the April 20, 2026 operating warrant \$277,859.68 (Plotke, Leventhal) passed 4-0.

Correspondence

None

Chief Executive Officer's Report

Fran Palumbo, Head of Adult Services reported on a number of activities at the Library. She shared the success of Breakfast with a Bunny, the Hauppauge Flea and the AARP Tax Preparation Volunteers. She shared the plans for National Library Week, including a raffle and scavenger hunt. Fran reported on the success of signs ups for Spring programs and Chrissy working on adding more Children's and Family events on the weekend. She also reported on the plans for the summer reading program, Fridays Out Front and the 250 Anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. Fran also is appreciative of Jane, a fellow staff member, who is patient in helping Fran adjust to our new email service. The CEO shared the results of our recent vote, along with the historic results. The vote itself was held on the service floor, not in Classroom C, right in front of the Guest Services Desk. It was well received. Thank you to the Board for coming early to attend the Suffolk Sports Hall of Fame ribbon cutting of their exhibit we are hosting. The Library, at the moment, is not required to comply with reporting to the Dr. John L. Flatau Voting & Elections Database of New York. The CEO shared Christa's report from attending the Public Library Association Conference. The July Board of Trustees meeting will be rescheduled to July 22. The KI Genius wall will be installed May 13 and 14. The CEO is buying lunch for the staff on April 21 to celebrate National Library Worker Day. The Library cutover its email to Microsoft 365 on the evening of April 17.

Committee Reports

None

Old Business

Mr. Bard shared the Town of Islip has a bond sale happening on April 22. The funds to work on Hidden Pond Park are included in the issuance.

New Business

Accept the 2025 Annual Report for Public and Association Libraries (Bard, Leventhal) passed 4-0.

The CEO shared an analysis of the 2025-26 Operating Budget and possibilities of making some budget adjustments. The Board was asked to consider the changes and wait for further direction and information coming from our scheduled private audit in late Summer.

Period for Public Expression

None

Personnel Report

None

General Discussion

None

Executive Session

None

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn at 7:50 p.m. (Plotke, Bard) passed 4-0.