

W. H. Walters Free Public Library
1001 East Boulevard
Alpha, NJ 08865
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REORGANIZATION MEETING MINUTES
Date: January 12, 2026

- The Board of Trustees Reorganization Meeting for January 12, 2026 is called to order at 7:03 p.m. in the Library.

• **Roll Call is taken and a Quorum is declared.** (P=present; A=absent; E=excused)
Susan Billera -P Ginny Boyle-P Seth Cohen -P Meghan Dragotta -P Maureen Ferretti- P
Kim Iannitto-P Joseph Schocko_P
Holly Thomas-P

• **Reading of the Open Public Meeting Notice by the President**

Adequate notice of the meeting has been provided in accordance with NJ Open Public Meetings Act with the publishing of the annual calendar on our Library Bulletin Board, in the Express Times, on our website <http://alphapubliclibrary.com/> and in the Library.

-Kim Iannitto was sworn in as a new Board of Trustees member by vice president Susan Billera.

- Annual Review of Bylaws and Policies for 2026. Motion- Seth Cohen Second- Ginny Boyle
- Library Officer Nominations/Vote:
 - President- Maureen Ferretti was nominated by Meghan Dragotta
 - Vice President- Susan Billera was nominated by Meghan Dragotta
 - Treasurer- Ginny Boyle was nominated by Meghan Dragotta
 - Secretary- Meghan Dragotta was nominated by Susan Billera

Roll Call was completed and all yes's.

- Motion to approve Agenda Motion- Sue Billera Second- Seth Cohen
- Committee Responsibilities – (can be done if President is nominated and approved and a need is determined).
- Building and Technology
- Books and Programs
- Membership and Publicity
- Special Committee

Seth Cohen made a motion that we are a committee as a whole unless a committee is created by the president. Meghan Dragotta Seconded. Roll Call was completed and all yes,

Resolutions, Adoptions and Appointments:

- **Resolution 2026-01 for Schedule of meetings for 2026.** The director will post meeting dates in the newspaper, on library bulletin board, and the website.

-Seth Cohen made a motion Susan Billera seconded the motion. All in favor.

- **Resolution 2026-02 for Trinity & Farsiou LLC (Steven D. Farsiou Esq), as legal counsel for the library for 2026 at the hourly rate of \$195.00. (The same cost as 2025).**

- **Resolution 2026-03 (Amended) designating the Express-Times NJ Zone as the official newspaper, the Star-Ledger as the second newspaper, and the W.H. Walters Free Public Library website homepage as the official online location for the posting of Library Board meeting notices and public information.**

- **Resolution 2026-04 for Temporary Budget of \$32288.50 (Increase of \$6071.25)**

- **Resolution 2026-05 for Suplee, Clooney & Company for library Auditor for 2026 at the yearly rate of \$2675.00. (Increase of \$175.00).**

- **Resolution 2026-06 for Board Treasurer to pay bills up to \$3500.00 if scheduled meeting is cancelled or between regular meetings.**

- **Resolution 2026-07 to appoint Stephen Noll as Library Advocate for 2026.**

-Meghan Dragotta made a motion to approve the resolutions of 2026-02-2026-07 as revised Susan Billera seconded. All in favor.

- **Appointment of Library Director Holly Thomas for 2026 at an hourly rate of \$27.32. (Cola of 3%, 80 cents).**

- **Appointment of Stocker Tax Services as Library Bookkeeper for 2026 at \$50/hour, max of 2.5 hours per month. (The same cost as 2025).**

- **Appointment of EMC2 as IT Support services for 2026 as contracted at \$125.00 per hour. (The same cost as 2025).**

- **Establishment of petty cash fund for 2026 at \$200.00.**

- **Establishment of change fund for 2026 at \$40.00.**

- **Mileage Reimbursement – The Board of Trustees agree to establish a policy that the mileage reimbursement rate for employees on Library business will be based on the IRS standard mileage rate. The current rate for 2026 is 72.5% cents/mile.**

•**Bank Designation – Designation of PNC Bank, as depository of the Library’s funds.**

- Susan Billera made a motion to accept the appointments as listed. Seth Cohen seconded. All in favor.

Next Reorganization Meeting: January 11, 2027 at 7:00pm.

Adjournment of Reorganization. Motion- Susan Billera Second- Ginny Boyle Time- 7:22pm

Meghan Dragotta
W.H Walters Board of Trustees Secretary

Date