

Newark Public Library Board

Meeting Minutes

2026

Date: January 8, 2026

Board Members in Attendance: Joey Nicosia, Keeley Kuperus, Sue Oberdorf, Becky Hauf, Andrea Windus, Deb Barry, Chris Mizro

Board Member(s) Excused: N/A

Board Member late / left early (time): N/A

In Attendance: Tanya Taylor, Kim Nevlezer

Absent: Bob Bendix (Village liaison)

Call to Order by Joey Nicosia at 5:39pm

- **Public Comment:** No public attendance.
- **Minutes from prior meeting:**
 - **MOTION 1:** Chris Mizro moved to approve the December 11, 2025 minutes. Deb Barry seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Financial Reports:

- Discussed the Treasurer's Report.
- Approval of transfers
 - **MOTION 2:** Chris Mizro moved to approve the \$5,000 transfer from savings to checking, to cover checks drawn on the account. Rebecca Hauf seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
 - **MOTION 3:** Deb Barry moved to approve the \$60,000 transfer from savings to checking, to cover checks drawn on the account. Rebecca Hauf seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
 - **MOTION 4:** Keeley Kuperus moved to approve the transfer (on the general ledger only), the amount of \$20,862 from the Radder Reserve subaccount to the regular savings account for money spent on the construction project. Chris Mizro seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
 - The board also acknowledged two (2) automatic transfers of \$20K each from savings to payroll account which occur every two weeks to cover payroll costs.
- Approval of check details
 - **MOTION 5:** Rebecca Hauf moved to approve the check detail for \$62,603.74. Andrea Windus seconded, and the motion passed unanimously..
- Approval of budget
 - **MOTION 6:** Chris Mizro moved to approve the amendment to the budget to add \$432 given from the Friends of the Library to the Youth Services Programming account. Sue Oberdorf seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

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- **MOTION 7:** Keeley Kuperus moved to approve the budget report. Deb Barry seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Staff Reports:

- Discussed the Director's Report and Youth & Adult Reports

Committee Reports: N/A

Old Business:

- Discussed board member terms
- Treasurer's updated job description
 - **MOTION 8:** Rebecca Hauf moved to approve the updated job description for Treasurer with a probationary period of 6-months added along with a mandate to review the Treasurer performance only as-needed. Sue Oberdorf seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

- FFRPL
 - **MOTION 9:** Sue Oberdorf moved to accept the FFRPL grant. Andrea Windus seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
- Discussed the Director's Evaluation forms
- 2026-2027 Budget
 - **MOTION 10:** Deb Barry moved to approve the 2026-2027 budget increase of 4%. Chris Mizro seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Entered Executive Session.

- **MOTION 11:** Deb Barry moved to adjourn from Executive Session at 6:39 pm Rebecca Hauf seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
- Hiring a Treasurer
 - **MOTION 12:** Sue Oberdorf moved to approve delegating Tanya authority to offer Frances Acker the position as Treasurer. Rebecca Hauf seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
- **MOTION 13:** Deb Barry moved to adjourn the January NPL board meeting at 6:43 pm. Rebecca Hauf seconded, and the motion passed unanimously..

Next Meeting: Thursday, February 12 at 6:00pm

Submitted by Keeley Kuperus