

PALISADES FREE LIBRARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 2025, 7:00 PM  
AT THE LIBRARY

Present: Marjorie Galen, presiding; Laurie Ferguson, Erica Lockwood, Kris Haberman, Maria Gagliardi, recording

Excused: Yvonna Kopacz-Wright, Kathryn Shattuck

Guest: Catherine Martin

CALL TO ORDER: Marjorie called the meeting to order at 7:03pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 12, 2025 MEETING: Laurie moved and Kris seconded. All in favor.

#### NEW BUSINESS

- **Marjorie Galen moved to appoint Catherine Martin to the Library Board of Trustees to fill out the term of Mary Murphy ending December 31, 2025. Kris seconded. All in favor.**
- **Kris moved and Laurie seconded the following resolution: The Library operated in accordance with the provisions of Education Law, and assures that the 2024 Annual Report was reviewed and accepted by the Library Board.**

#### LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

- Maria reviewed the potential impact of the IMLS Funding Cuts Impact on Libraries which resulted in a loss of \$8M to the New York State Library
- Statistics – numbers are steady

#### FINANCIAL REPORT

- Operating Budget Report – Laurie reviewed the operating figures through March.
- Restricted Funds – Laurie reviewed the restricted funds.
- 259 School District Funds Referendum Update – Hearing on April 23, vote on April 29

#### BUILDING REPORT

- Reviewed bids for the bathroom and historic closet projects. Maria will set up a meeting with Scanlan to review the project.

#### OLD BUSINESS

- Long Range Plan Updates – We are collecting responses to the survey and scheduling focus groups.