Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Scarsdale Public Library (SPL) May 6, 2024 North Meeting Room

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Scarsdale Public Library was held on May 6, 2024.

The following participants were in attendance: Jordan Copeland, President; Robert Jeremiah, Vice President; Diksha Mudbhary, Finance Officer; Scott Gerwin, Secretary; Stephanie Wechsler, Trustee; Betty Pforzheimer, Trustee; Jennifer Fischman, Trustee; Pedro Ladislau, Trustee; Erika Rublin, Trustee; Beth Bermel, Library Director; Catherine Callegari, Assistant Director.

The meeting was called to order at 7:36 pm.

- 1. **Welcome and Introductions**: The trustees, Director, and Assistant Director welcomed new Library Trustee Erika Rublin to the Board.
- 2. **Approval of the minutes from April 8, 2024 meeting:** Jennifer moved to approve the minutes from the April 8th meeting of the Library Board. Stephanie seconded the motion, and the motion was approved with none opposed.
- 3. **Friends of the Scarsdale Library Report**: Beth shared an update from the Friends of the Scarsdale Library, reporting that the Friends are doing a final push for paver fundraising and planning to conclude the paver program in July.
- 4. **Director's Report:** Beth gave her Director's Report, reporting that all open positions at the Library have now been filled, and all provisional employees scored sufficiently well on the civil service exam. Catherine noted a few Library programs that drew a very large number of attendees. Beth added that hiring a full-time employee to lead teen programming has substantially increased teen use of the Library.
- 5. **President's Report:** Jordan gave the President's report, sharing that the Library will have the same three committees as last year: Bylaws/Governance; Policy, and Landscape. There will also be an officer nominating committee when the time comes to nominate officers for next year.
- 6. Landscape Project Committee Update: Beth gave an update on behalf of the Landscape Project Committee, reporting that the agreement with the landscape architect and site engineer, the contract with the building architect is very close to being signed. A kick-off meeting with the landscape architect and building architect is planned for later this week.
- 7. **Bylaws/Governance Committee Update:** Beth gave an update on behalf of the Bylaws/Governance Committee, reporting that work is continuing on preparing a draft of an agreement with the Village, and should be ready for discussion at the June Board meeting.
- 8. **Library 2024/25 Goals**: Betty made a motion to adopt the 2024/25 Library Goals. Diksha seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Jordan adjourned the Board meeting at 8:03.