

## Reading Public Library

### Board of Trustees - Meeting Minutes



**Date:** March 16, 2026

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Reading Public Library commenced at 4:30 PM, Arielle Phillips-Law, Vice President, presiding.

**Present:** Arielle Phillips-Law, Jerry Richter, Bernadette Berrios, Chris Phillips, Lucretia Brown, Keith Mooney, Michel Micozzi, Anthony Orozco, Rick Perez, Leo Hanley, Salvador Sepulveda, Melissa Adams and Vicky Fuller.

**Absent:** Kaitlin Daley, Alan Carman, Warren Weik, and Sherry Cameron excused.

**Guests:** Carolyn Spano, Becky Wanamaker and Marissa Guidara.

**Public Comment:** None

**Minutes:** Motion to approve the February minutes was made by Rick Perez and seconded by Keith Mooney. Approved.

**Treasurers Report:** Chris Phillips, on behalf of Alan Carman, reviewed the income and expenses for the month. We are current on city salary reimbursements and our investments are off to a good start this year. Motion to accept the February Treasurer's Report was made by Salvador Sepulveda and seconded by Rick Perez. Accepted.

**Director's Report:** Melissa gave a last reminder about the New Trustee Orientation sign up. All trustees are required to attend the orientation within a year of their appointment. We now have a Seed Library at Main. We took an old card catalog that was unused for years and turned it into a place for community member to "check 0out" seeds. It's completely free and you do not need a library card to use it. There is a sign out sheet so we can track usage and we encourage bringing seeds back from food or flowers they grow for others to "check out".

**District Services:** Marissa and Becky provided their report prior to the meeting. Marissa mentioned the two Stroll n Roll programs at Berks Nature that have been planned as well as partnering with the Jewish Federation for a Holocaust Memorial program. This year the Pages for Pets partnership will be with Humane Pennsylvania.

Becky Wanamaker mentioned that she has reviewed the District Libraries Annual Reports and all have been submitted to the state. She is also preparing for the Trustee Orientation.

**Library Services:** No Report

**Facilities:** Mike Micozzi shared the list of suggested repairs at the Foundation building. A temporary support beam for the attic is currently in place.

**Finance:** Chris reported that a finance meeting has been scheduled for next Friday.

**Development & Communication:** Bernadette Berrios mentioned that we have received \$3000 in donations from our Gratitude report so far. Great Decisions starts March 17<sup>th</sup> and we have 21 people already signed up. Celebrity Bartenders have been confirmed. We are planning a Purse Bingo for November 8 and will be asking for donations of designer bags. We were recently spotlighted on WFMV about our Seed Library.

**Governance:** No Report

**Executive Committee:** No Report

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:** None

Sal's Trivia: What is the location of the highest library in the world? It is on the 60<sup>th</sup> floor of the JW Marriot Hotel in Shanghai, China.

Motion to adjourn was made by Chris Phillips and seconded by Salvador Sepulveda.

Respectfully submitted as drafted by Vicky Fuller,



Keith Mooney  
Secretary

