

## Hillsdale Free Public Library

**Board of Trustees**

**June 16, 2025**

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In attendance were: William Berde, Elizabeth DiLorenzo, Warren Harris, Kelly Pacor, Carol Schepker, Mayor Michael Sheinfeld, Barbara Wertheim

Also present: David Franz, Director of the Library, Janetta Trochimiuk (Liaison to the Council)

Excused: Amanda Miller, Elizabeth Leonard

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Ms. Schepker called to order a meeting of the Trustees of the Free Public Library of Hillsdale, Bergen County, New Jersey. Notice of this meeting was transmitted to the newspaper of record, filed with the Borough Clerk, and posted on the Library's website and bulletin board, in accordance with the Open Public Meeting's Law.

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 PM. A motion to approve the May 19, 2025 minutes was made by Ms. Pacor, seconded by Ms. Wertheim. Unanimous vote of approval.

Public was invited to speak: No one was in attendance.

President's Report: VP Schepker: Topics to be discussed this evening are donations, the roof replacement approval, and the July 5<sup>th</sup> closure. She deferred the rest of her comments to the general meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Mr. Berde: The library is fiscally sound. All checks are to the usual vendors and programs.

Mr. Harris made a motion to accept the operating bill list as presented, seconded by Ms. DiLorenzo. Unanimous vote of approval.

Director's Report: Mr. Franz:

- Birds were nesting in some exterior vents. The situation was mitigated.
- The Library will be power washed on 6/26; sprinklers will be checked on 6/27.
- He met with Mr. Stephen Loesner, the town's Zoning official, about the proposed planter shed and there were no issues.
- Color Our World Summer Reading Program begins this Wednesday. Eye-catching painter's palette displays promoting this are on the front lawn and in the lobby by the Children's room.
- A mock-up of one hole for the golf fundraiser, constructed by Mr. Franz, was on display. There will be an adult fundraiser on Friday evening, 10/10. On Saturday, 10/11, the library will open the golf course for all ages for a nominal donation.
- Mr. Franz attended the International Dinner in Westwood on 6/4 which honored of the work of the Literacy Volunteers of Pascack Valley. Maria Guevara and Youngmi Kwon, two adult students from Hillsdale, were recognized as Students of the Year. They were nominated by Kathleen Mundt, one of our highly esteemed ESL tutors.

Motions:

1. Saturday, July 5<sup>th</sup> closure request: A motion was made by Ms. Schepker to close the library as stated, Mr. Harris seconded. Unanimous vote of approval.
  2. Designation of funds: Programs/Memorial Contributions: A motion was made by Ms. Schepker to permit the use of designated funds to be used to direct memorial donations on behalf of the library, seconded by Mr. Berde. Unanimous vote of approval.
  3. Programs for Individuals with Disabilities: *Access for All*, craft programs. A motion was made by Ms. Schepker for the Lantry donations to be earmarked for programs supporting individuals with disabilities, seconded by Ms. Wertheim. Unanimous vote of approval.
- The Borough of Hillsdale will formally adopt the budget tomorrow night. Capital funding has been appropriated to pay for the library's roof replacement. Several bids were received under various cooperative purchasing contracts.

Resolution to approve the roofing contractor: Resolution No. 2025-1 Approval of Northeast Roof Maintenance Contractors A motion was made by Ms. Schepker, seconded by Ms. Wertheim to accept these contractors to perform the roof replacement. A roll call vote was taken with a unanimous vote of approval.

90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Logo: Lauren Donovan updated the draft logo. All Board members favored one particular model with the Decco font and "90 Years of Sharing."

The Friends/The Foundation: NA

New Business: No new business.

The next regularly scheduled Library Board meeting will be on September 15, 2025. A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ms. Schepker, seconded by Mr. Harris. Unanimous vote of approval. The meeting officially adjourned at 7:57 PM.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Deirdre Danaher*  
Recording Secretary