

**MINUTES OF THE BERNARDSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY
MEETING OF THE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
July 15, 2025**

ATTENDANCE: John Bertoni, Mary Jane Canose, Joan Contess, Amy DeMilt, Anita Gandhi, Mark Krook, Robert Re, and Nancy Verduin were present. Mary Fran Daley, Executive Director of the Library, was in attendance. Mimi Brown, the Library Bookkeeper, and Madelyn English from the Bernardsville Library Foundation were also in attendance.

Absent: Brian Brotschul

President Bertoni called the Board of Trustees ("Board") meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and read the Open Meeting Notice as follows:

Notice of Meeting:

- In accordance with the Open Public Meeting Act (c.231, P.L. 1975), written notice of this regular meeting has been sent to the following newspapers: The Bernardsville News and The Daily Record. Written notice has also been sent to the Borough Clerk and posted on the library's website.
- The agenda and documents to be discussed at this meeting are available for review in advance of today's meeting on the [Library's website](#), and at the Library's circulation desk during regular library hours.
- Members of the public are invited to comment either during the public comment period of the meeting or by submitting written or emailed comments in advance of the meeting. All commenters should identify themselves by name and street address and limit their comments to three minutes.

Regular Session Meeting Minutes

President Bertoni called the regular board meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance

Nomination of Treasurer

Mr. Re moved to approve the nomination of Ms. Joan Contess as Treasurer to be effective at the August 2025 meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Krook which was then passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Resolution to Act Upon Bills 2025- 29

Ms. Contess moved to approve the financial report and the new bills to be paid as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Canose which was then passed by unanimous roll call vote. Resolution to Act Upon Bills 2025-29 was approved by unanimous roll call vote.

Public Comment none

Bernardsville Library Foundation Ms. English, representing the Bernardsville Library Foundation, gave the following report:

- Foundation assets reached \$1M
- Foundation is planning a Gratitude Event for major donors on November 14 or 15 to be co-hosted by Friends of Bernardsville Library given it is during Friends fundraising week.

Adjournment

The Public Session adjourned at 5:39 p.m.

Anita K Gandhi
Secretary
Bernardsville Library Trustees