

Minutes of the Port Jervis Free Library Board of Trustees

April 14, 2026

6:00 PM

Present: Dolores Carnosa, Ed Falcone, Carl Hendrick, Valerie Maginsky, Liz Miller, Dick Roberts

I Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance - The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

II Public Comment – agenda

- Mx. Peter Grech commented on the Conflict of Interest policy.

III Minutes

Dick made a motion, seconded by Dolores, to approve the minutes from the March 17, 2026 meeting. Unanimously passed.

IV Correspondence - None

V Approval of Statistics and Financial Reports

Valerie made a motion, seconded by Liz, to approve the financial report as presented. Unanimously carried.

VI Director's Report

- Ed stated that subsequent to the submission of his written report to the Board, the State report had been submitted on time and RCLS was about two thirds of the way through its review of the data.
- ***Dick made a motion, seconded by Dolores, to approve the April 2026 Director's Report as presented. Unanimously passed.***

VII Unfinished Business

Liz made a motion, seconded by Dick, to approve the Conflict of Interest Policy. Unanimously passed.

VIII New Business

- ***Valerie made a motion, seconded by Dolores to approve the MOU with the Bay State Book Company as presented and to authorize the Director to execute the contract. Unanimously passed.***
- ***Dick made a motion, seconded by Dolores, to appoint Stacy Joergle-Gildea to the position of full-time Library Clerk at an hourly rate of \$31.75, with a probationary period of eight weeks to being on the date of hire, May 1, 2026. Unanimously passed.*** It was noted that Stacy has satisfied the NYSLRS contribution requirements of a Tier 4 member, so no withholdings are required.

IX Public Comment

- Anton Treuting stated several grievances regarding the Board of Trustees.
- Mx. Peter Grech expressed the opinion that the fund balance carried by the Library is illegal.

X Next Meeting

- The next regular meeting is scheduled for April 14, 2026 at 6 PM.
- A budget workshop is scheduled for May 6, 2026 at 6 PM.

XI Adjournment

Dolores made a motion, seconded by Dick, to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 PM. Unanimously passed.

Respectfully Submitted,
Susan Wade, Board Clerk