The Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Wantagh Public Library was held on Monday, April 20, 2020. Trustees Margaret Kowalski, Laura Dupkin Memisha, Kurt Faraczek, and Barbara Brochstein were present. Trustee Gianna Gelci-Steen was absent.

Also present were Board Treasurers Louann Nguyen and Kyle Zaharatos, Librarian-in-charge Susan Finck, and Librarian Ian Smith.

This meeting was conducted via videoconference with audio recorded as per New York State COVID-19 pandemic restrictions in effect.

Board President Margaret Kowalski called the meeting to order at 10:08am. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Board proceeded with the agenda. Laura Dupkin Memisha made a motion to approve the March 25, 2020 meeting minutes as printed. Kurt Faraczek seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Kurt Faraczek made a motion to approve the following warrants:
- Expense Warrant #45 dated 3/20/2020 in the amount of $37,312.07
- Payroll Warrant #46 dated 3/21/2020 in the amount of $43,707.88
- Expense Warrant #47 dated 4/06/2020 in the amount of $7,129.55
- Payroll Warrant #48 dated 4/04/2020 in the amount of $35,675.10
- Expense Warrant #49 dated 4/20/2020 in the amount of $39,572.19
- Expense Warrant #51 dated 4/21/2020 in the amount of $35,382.38

Laura Dupkin Memisha seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Board Treasurers Louann Nguyen and Kyle Zaharatos reviewed the March 2020 Treasurer Report with the Trustees.

Board President Margaret Kowalski reported that in accordance with NYS Executive Order 202.13 which states in part: “Any school board, library board, or village election scheduled to take place in April or May of 2020 is hereby postponed until at least June 1, 2020, and subject to further directive as to the timing, location or manner of voting for such elections.”, the Wantagh Public Library Budget Vote and Trustee Election originally scheduled for April 28, 2020 has been postponed indefinitely.

Kurt Faraczek made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 11:10 am to discuss the medical history of a particular person and the employment history of a particular person. Barbara Brochstein seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Barbara Brochstein made a motion to leave Executive Session at 11:40 a.m. Kurt Faraczek seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Kurt Faraczek made a motion to adopt the following resolution:
BE IT RESOLVED, that based on the absence of the Library Director, the Board of Trustees hereby appoints Susan Finck as Librarian in Charge, and authorizes her to take all necessary and
appropriate actions that would otherwise be taken by the Library Director regarding the daily operations of the Library, consistent with applicable law, rule and regulation and under the supervision of the Board of Trustees; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that such appointment of Susan Finck shall continue through June 1, 2020, unless ended earlier or extended longer by the Board of Trustees; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes compensation of $375 per week for Ms. Finck for the period of such service in recognition of the additional duties and responsibilities.

Barbara Brochstein seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Kurt Faraczek made a motion to furlough all part-time pages effective April 20, 2020. Barbara Brochstein seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Kurt Faraczek made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:47 a.m. Laura Dupkin Memisha seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 11:47 a.m.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for May 18, 2020. Time to be determined.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret Kowalski
Secretary Pro-Tempore