Minutes

Library Company of Burlington
23 West Union Street Burlington, NJ 08016

February 11, 2026:
Board of Trustees Regular Quarterly Meeting

The Quarterly Meeting of the Library Company of Burlington Board of Trustees was called to order on Wednesday, February 11 at 7:05pm.

Attendance:

- Those board members attending in person were Barbara Fisher, Thomas Scattergood, Alex Buzich, Steve Simon, Eli Eytan, Pat Taylor, Pete Green and Edward Canivan. Director Kimberly Gibson. Treasurer Rick Mauro and Friends' President Lynn Canivan were also present.
- Trustees TJ Swan and Michael Barriero were absent.

Secretary's Report:
Motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes from the November 2025 meeting. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report:
Motion was made and seconded to accept the treasurer's report. Report was unanimously approved.

Friends' Report:
The Friends have approximately $32,000 on hand with $15,000 in a CD. The Wine and Beer event in November raised $9,588. Discussing a March 21 Easter Egg hunt. They have been helping Kim with promoting programs and are also looking into mail solicitations as a fundraising possibility.

Director's Report:

1. Highlights include work on 2026 programming, creation of Teen Advisory Board to try to bring in more teens work being done on the lift, fixing of condensate pump, county Library Speaker Consortium has a link for patrons to use, tissue paper purchased for Audubon book preservation and the Costello collection is catalogued and on the website.
2. Motion made and seconded to accept Director's Report. Motion was unanimously approved.

Old Business:

1. Non-Profit Status – Sample received from the attorney. Agreed to table for now and Eli, Ed, Tom Scattergood and TJ will work on refining it for our use.
2. February 28 will be our annual meeting with the Friends group.

New Business:

1. Libraries are now allowed to use their website for legal notices. By April 27 the website needs to be ADA compliant. Discussion on necessity and expense. Kim will contact Scott Sutton at Burlington Press to discuss
2. Heater Repairs – Davis Heating has recommended some part replacements. Steve Simon will bring another person in the look at the heater. Ed suggested that we should repair the boiler and furnace. Motion was made and seconded and unanimously approved. Possibly get quotes for a new heater.
3. Kathy Gusz has made a donation the Kim would like to use for non-fiction children's books. Motion made and seconded and unanimously approved.
4. Historic Walking Tour Map – Question of whether we should take out an ad. Motion made and seconded to purchase an ad. Unanimously approved.
5. Summer Reading theme is Dinosaurs. Cost of administering the program is approximately $800. Motion made, seconded and unanimously approved to expend the money.
6. Currently there is no yearly contract to maintain the lift.
7. Collections grant is deferred to May meeting.
8. Money Management – Since we need to move our money out of Morgan Stanley, we will interview prospective other money management firms.
9. Lynn Canivan will make arrangements to send something to the Swan family as a condolence in the loss of TJ's mother.

The next regular board meeting will be on May 13, 2026 at 7pm in the library.

Respectfully Submitted:

Patricia Lessig Taylor

Secretary