

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the
Cold Spring Harbor Library
April 13,2026

In Attendance:

David Berman, President
Dana Lynch, Treasurer
Edward Price, Secretary
Robert Hughes, Friends Foundation Liaison
Gina Berland
Chris Hadjandreas
Sandra Capek-O'Grady
Nicole Prizzi
Roger Podell, Director
Diane Scinta, Assistant Director

Absent:

Janice Rochstein

The meeting was called to order at 7:00

Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve March 2, 2026, regular meeting minutes and March 12, 2026 special meeting minutes was made by Dana Lynch, seconded by David Berman, and approved with one abstention.

Financial Matters

The Treasurer's Report dated February 28, 2026, was presented as follows: by

Checking:	\$-18,618.74
Money Market:	\$651,285.80
Everbank CD 12 mo 8/25/26	\$222,656.20
ConnectOneCD 11 mo 9/3/26	\$278,804.16
ConnectOne CD 11 mo 9/18/26	\$278,325.34
ConnectOne CD 12 mo 5/15/26	\$201,994.52
ConnectOne CD 23 mo 12/9/27	\$250,000.00
Revenue:	\$280,233.87
Expenditure:	\$197,096.03

A motion to approve the Treasurer's Reports was made by Edward Price, seconded by Sandra Capek-O'Grady, and approved unanimously.

A motion to approve the claims auditor's report dated 4/7/26 was made by Edward Price, seconded by David Berman, and approved unanimously.

Building Reserve

Dr. Podell reported that carpet in the Storytime Room was replaced at a cost of \$8,998 with the expense reported in the building maintenance line of the budget. He recommends using funds from the building and grounds reserve fund for this expense. That account currently has a balance of \$90,048.89.

A motion to approve payment of the cost of carpet replacement in the Storytime Room (\$8,998) from the Buildings and Grounds Repair Reserve fund was made by David Berman, seconded by Edward Price, and approved unanimously.

Library Operations

Trustee Election and Budget Vote

Vote Day is April 14, 2026 (9:30 am – 9:00 pm). Gina Berland, Janice Rochstein and Nicole Prizzi are running for three-year terms and Demetrios Tzimas is running for a two-year term.

West Side Library

Approximately 400 books were donated by members of the community for the West Side library. In addition, the West Side librarian borrowed more than 150 books and distributed library card applications to her students.

Annual Report

Dr Podell presented the 2025 NYS Annual Report which requires board approval. There were several questions from board members. Dr. Podell will send an amended report for board review.

Digitization Grant

Librarians Coleen Higgins and Sophia Tarin received a grant in the amount of \$2,000 from the LI Library Resources Council to purchase a scanner to publish digitized materials on the Library's NY Heritage page for the 20th anniversary in August.

Personnel

Motion to go into executive session to discuss the position of part-time custodian and part-time library trainee was made by Edward Price, seconded by Nicole Prizzi, and approved unanimously.

A motion to exit executive session was made by Edward Price, seconded by Nicole Prizzi, and approved unanimously.

A motion to appoint Christopher Grant as part-time custodian and Mackenzie Gregory as part-time librarian trainee was made by David Berman, seconded by Chris Hadjandreas, and approved unanimously.

20th Anniversary Committee

The board discussed creating a committee to plan the 20th anniversary celebration on August 27. Dr Podell reported that there is insurance coverage for serving liquor.

The board discussed creating a committee to initiate planning. There are two community members who volunteered to assist.

Items from Prior Meetings

Stroll Magazine

Carolyn Walkin reserved the May cover of Stroll magazine for the library. In addition, the library reserved a complementary half page space in the June edition to advertise the August celebration. The library also has a full-page feature article space in the July edition. Stroll also offers a monthly news section for non-profits. Carolyn recommends using this to report what has been achieved.

Dr. Podell reported that on March 4, a woman fell on the outside steps and hurt her knee. Dr. Podell reported the incident to the insurance company.

On a motion of Edward Price seconded by David Berman, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.