

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the
Cold Spring Harbor Library
May 4, 2026

In Attendance:

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

Absent:

Dana Lynch, Treasurer

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm.

Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve the April 13 meeting minutes was made by Edward Price, seconded by David Berman, and approved with one abstention.

Financial Matters

The Treasurer's Report dated March 31, 2026, was presented as follows: by

Checking:	\$ 23,656.66
Money Market:	\$595,917.29
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:	\$267,471.30
Expenditure:	\$242,196.64

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

A motion to accept the claims auditor's report dated 4/30/26 was made by Robert Hughes, seconded by David Berman, and approved unanimously.

CD Renewal

Dr. Podell reported that the \$201,994.52 CD at Connect One matures on May 15. A motion to purchase a month CD at Chase Bank for 6 months at an interest rate of 3.7% was made by Edward Price, seconded by David Berman, and approved unanimously.

Purchasing Procedure

A motion to amend the procurement policy as follows was made by David Berman, seconded by Chris Hadjandreas, and approved unanimously: 3 quotes and Board approval for purchases over \$5,000

Library Operations

Trustee Election and Budget Vote

Dr Podell reported that Gina Berland (106 votes), Janice Rochstein (101 votes) and Nicole Prizzi (103 votes) were elected to three-year terms and Demetrios Tzimas (104 votes) was elected to a two-year term. The budget was approved 105 yes to 11 no. 2027-28 vote will be held on April 6, 2027. David Berman, Sandra Capek-O'Grady, Robert Hughes, and Dana Lynch are due to run for reelection.

Art Offer

Dr. Podell received an offer of two paintings valued at \$10,000 each from Gach Art Studio. George Gach is the sculptor of the Three Condors in front of the library. His daughter Susie created the paintings. A request was made to contact the studio and ask if they are interested in donating the paintings.

Annual Report

Dr Podell presented the amended NYS Annual Report which requires board approval. A motion to accept the 2025 NYS Annual Report was made by Edward Price, seconded by David Berman , and approved unanimously.

20th Anniversary Committee

Dr. Podell reported that a meeting with community volunteers, Christine Squillante and Gisela Weise is scheduled for May 19.

Items from Prior Meetings

Stroll Magazine

Carolyn Walkin reserved the May cover of Stroll magazine for the library.

Dr. Podell submitted the save the date graphic for the ½ page in the June edition.

In addition, the library reserved a full page article in the July edition to serve as a save the date or invitation for the August celebration. A request was made to contact Carolyn for additional guidelines regarding the article.

We can also submit a photo with captions for the 501C3 News. Carolyn recommends using this as "Look at what we did." This can be submitted after August 27.

On a motion of David Berman seconded by Sandra Capek-O'Grady, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.