

## Bellingham Library Trustee Meeting Minutes – January 12, 2023

Submitted by: Macala Lamour  
Present: Library Board: Nicole Buckley, Chair, Carol Bird, Vice Chair,  
Laura Howard, Sue Garten, and Macala Lamour, Secretary  
Library Staff: Bernadette Rivard, Director  
  
Location: Library Historical Room  
  
Next meeting: February 9, 2023

Meeting called to order at 7:02pm by Nicole Buckley, Chair.

**A motion to approve the meeting minutes submitted by Macala Lamour for November 29, 2022, was made by Sue Garten, the motion was seconded by Laura Howard. All were in favor and the motion passed.**

The Board discussed the budget update for FY23.

Bernadette Rivard presented and reviewed the Director's Report as submitted January 10, 2023.

The Story Walk arrived in December and should be installed in spring, dates to be determined.

The Board discussed the proposed patio area outside Teen Room.

The new Youth Services Librarian, Laura Brilliant-Giangrande, will start next Thursday, January 19.

The Board discussed the no fee policy that is now in place.

The Board discussed the proposed PrideFest at the Senior Center and the possibility of the library co-sponsoring the event. The Board would like to know if other community organizations will also be sponsoring the event. Bernadette will address questions at the next PrideFest meeting.

**A motion to approve the 2022 Annual Report, as submitted by Bernadette Rivard, was made by Sue Garten, the motion was seconded by Laura Howard. All were in favor and the motion passed.**

The Board discussed the "Reconsideration of Library Programs or Services" form. Bernadette will make revisions to include library policies as discussed.

**The meeting was called at 8:00pm by Nicole Buckley.**