

**Minutes of the Board of Trustees' Meeting of The South River Public Library
May 26, 2026**

Leslie called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and read the required public announcement.

Roll Call:

Leslie Roselli – present
Aileen Chadwick – present
Karin Finngan (Director) – present
John Budzin – present
Dave Roshetar – present
Nicole Hustik – present @ 7:10 pm
Councilwoman Sandra DaSilva– present
Andrea Krempecki- present
Mayor Peter Guindi – not present
Emily Roselli - present
Julie Meira - present
Janice Kaminsky Cordes - present

Minutes of the April 28, 2026 meeting: John has made a motion to move the minutes, and Emily seconded.

Public Comment: Leslie opened the meeting to the public at 7:02 p.m. There was no public in attendance, so Leslie closed the meeting to the public at 7:02 p.m.

Statistical Report:

Circulation stats - juvenile and young adult print borrowed seems low. Programming numbers are low. The out of town borrowing seems low considering that East Brunswick was closed for three weeks.

Director's Report:

The position of supervising librarian has been eliminated. An adult services librarian job description is available for review in the packet. Rebecca Post has returned to help out with summer staffing. Rita has updated and cleaned up the storywalk.

Programs - The summer reading theme is dinosaurs. Rita has a few dinosaur themed programs scheduled as well as other things such as a visit from a mini highland cow. Ruby scheduled a microgreens class and an astrology class. Michelle Wilson will be doing a program on Harriet Tubman for Juneteenth. Tom is doing another Pokemon party. There will be summer reading baskets and raffles again this year.

Friends of the Library:

The Friends met with the lawyer to determine if they will proceed with the nonprofit status. This will be discussed at the next meeting. The Book Sale will be first, followed by the jewelry sale.

Correspondence:

Kate reached out to the South River Financial Department regarding her benefits. Leslie and Aileen received a letter from Kate. Kate has asked that they share it with the Board of Trustees.

Old Business:

Adult Services Librarian Position was included for our review.

New Business:

April 26, 2026 - A new New Jersey Library Trustee Guide has been issued. The major change is that each trustee must complete 2 hours of training, instead of 7 hours total for the Board. Dave and Andrea went to a Trustee training. They asked if the minutes could be available on the website so they are readily available to the public.

Financial Report:

John motioned to move the treasurer's report, and Dave seconded. All in favor.

In the next meeting, we will have a resolution that the capital fund will be going towards the elevator.

Resolutions to Approve:

2026-10 Resolution of Payment of Bills (April 2026) - John made a motion to pass this resolution, and Nicole seconded. All in favor.

Other Comments:

Leslie has received feedback from patrons who attended the paint and sip are frustrated that their paintings are not being finished in time.

Emily has received feedback from patrons regarding the sewing classes. The classes have become repetitive.

Can we look at options for popular programming in order to prevent people from not showing?

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, June 23, 2026, at 7:00 pm. Meeting adjourned by Andrea at 7:41 pm.