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Buffalo & Erie County Public Library
Board of Trustees Executive Committee Meeting (In Person at Central Library &
Remote)
4/8/2021
Transcript as recorded through Zoom
Committee Members present in person:
Elaine Panty
Committee Members present via Zoom:
Kathleen Berens Bucki, Chair
Kimberly Johnson, Vice Chair
Shendon Berlow
Katie Burd
Ex-Officio member: Ted Johnson
WEBVTT
00:00:44.580 --> 00:00:45.000
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Okay.
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00:00:46.140 --> 00:00:46.860
Kathleen B Bucki: Since.
00:00:47.190 --> 00:00:48.570
Kathleen B Bucki: We do have a quorum, I think.
00:00:49.320 --> 00:00:52.920
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: We get started right i'm
assuming we are, we can do the.
00:00:54.240 --> 00:00:56.670
Kathleen B Bucki: i'll call the meeting to order and then i'll call.
00:00:58.290 --> 00:00:59.550
Kathleen B Bucki: The role so.
00:01:01.530 --> 00:01:02.610
Kathleen B Bucki: I Kathleen.
00:01:02.790 --> 00:01:04.260
barons buck i'm here.
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00:01:05.490 --> 00:01:08.400
Kathleen B Bucki: New place chair Kim Johnson is not yet here.
00:01:09.990 --> 00:01:10.440
Kathleen B Bucki: Then.
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00:01:12.120 --> 00:01:13.260
Kathleen B Bucki: sheldon barolo.
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00:01:13.680 --> 00:01:14.040
here.
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00:01:15.360 --> 00:01:16.950
Katie Burd: katie word here.
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00:01:17.970 --> 00:01:19.020
Kathleen B Bucki: And elaine panty.
00:01:19.770 --> 00:01:20.130
Bear.
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00:01:21.180 --> 00:01:21.960
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: All right, that.
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00:01:22.110 --> 00:01:25.980
Kathleen B Bucki: Is a quorum let's see i'll go through that.
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00:01:26.550 --> 00:01:30.660
Kathleen B Bucki: fun information that we have to have in each of the meetings to.
00:01:31.770 --> 00:01:37.020
Kathleen B Bucki: State of New York executive Chamber executive order number 202 99.
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00:01:38.310 --> 00:01:40.620
Kathleen B Bucki: issued march 26 2021.
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00:01:40.680 --> 00:01:53.100 Kathleen B Bucki: extends previous executive orders continuing temporary suspension and modification of laws relating to the disaster emergency suspension of law allowing the attendance of meetings telephonically or other similar service through. 22 00:01:53.670 --> 00:02:01.230 Kathleen B Bucki: April 25 2021 permitting the buffalo and erie county public library Board of Trustees to hold today's executive committee meeting. 23 00:02:01.230 --> 00:02:01.920 In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: remotely. 24 00:02:02.250 --> 00:02:06.660 Kathleen B Bucki: And constitute trustees as President, allowing them to be counted for quorum and voting. 25 00:02:07.650 --> 00:02:10.110 Kathleen B Bucki: The public was provided island instructions. 26 00:02:10.170 --> 00:02:20.670 Kathleen B Bucki: Through zoom with the ability to listen and comment, please be aware that a complete verbatim transcription of today's meeting through zoom will be kept on file by the Viennese cpl. 27 00:02:22.140 --> 00:02:26.700 Kathleen B Bucki: i'll trust these are asked to state your full name, before speaking and making motions for the. 28 00:02:26.700 --> 00:02:29.100 Kathleen B Bucki: record anyone from the public who. 29 00:02:29.100 --> 00:02:33.330 Kathleen B Bucki: Is on this call, will have the opportunity to speak during the public comment period. วด

Kathleen B Bucki: At that time, you will need to identify yourself state and spell your name for the record and be limited to three minutes per person to speak, please note the Board will not comment at that time I don't see anybody on right now, anyway, so.

00:02:33.930 --> 00:02:45.390

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00:02:46.650 --> 00:02:47.130
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: let's see.
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00:02:52.620 --> 00:02:56.880
Kathleen B Bucki: Are there any changes to the agenda, or I guess we're just talking
about next weekend.
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00:02:58.710 --> 00:02:59.850
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: it's one of those right.
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00:03:01.980 --> 00:03:07.560
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Today, and I know that there
will be a change can you're going to speak to that correct I really meant to them.
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00:03:08.460 --> 00:03:14.880
Ken Stone: We have a contract the library Member library systems resolution that
just developed basically.
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00:03:16.470 --> 00:03:17.430
Ken Stone: i'm going to do a three four.
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00:03:19.470 --> 00:03:21.600
Kathleen B Bucki: All right, so that then.
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00:03:22.800 --> 00:03:25.350
Kathleen B Bucki: yeah next week i'm gonna as part of my report.
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00:03:27.090 --> 00:03:35.280
Kathleen B Bucki: The new trustee john Craig needs committee assignments so we'll
take care of that at that point so then.
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00:03:36.390 --> 00:03:42.930
Kathleen B Bucki: let's see, I guess, we can you don't have a report for this
meeting, yet, so we can launch into the budget and finance cash.
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00:03:45.180 --> 00:03:51.060
Ken Stone: Okay, you have to understand bunch of finance, I know it with janine
we're going to speak to the State report, or would you like me to just.
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00:03:52.530 --> 00:03:53.370
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Your choice.
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00:03:53.730 --> 00:03:54.420
Kathleen B Bucki: Oh yeah i'm sorry.
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00:03:55.980 --> 00:03:56.400
Jeannine Doyle: it's really.
00:03:58.590 --> 00:03:59.640
Jeannine Doyle: Special, I can tell you.
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00:03:59.640 --> 00:04:07.770
Ken Stone: about the regular item is the annual New York state report it's been 200
bucks for finance because really everything.
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00:04:09.780 --> 00:04:11.280
Ken Stone: includes milestones.
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00:04:11.580 --> 00:04:17.910
Ken Stone: Measured statistical measurements and narratives about what we've done
and initiatives that the library has undertaken.
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00:04:18.750 --> 00:04:34.590
Ken Stone: And it is submitted electronically each share the state's format for
doing so is clunky include G and as and windy If you recall from reviewing it the
printouts are not exactly the most user friendly things for.
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00:04:37.320 --> 00:04:46.560
Ken Stone: That kind of a review, but the information is chock full of interesting
stuff that the State uses and develops for comparisons for libraries across eight.
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00:04:46.950 --> 00:05:03.030
Ken Stone: And a lot of it ends up in the federal reports on library services that
you see so you'll get the report it's generated in PDF and it will be part of the
the link on the agenda yeah certainly have any questions we'd be happy to answer
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52 00:05:04.530 --> 00:05:11.460

them.

Ken Stone: Other than that, the one thing I do want to add if we don't have any questions on that i'm going to share a screen.

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00:05:12.420 --> 00:05:13.590

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: That would be.

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00:05:13.740 --> 00:05:14.790 Ken Stone: What just came up.

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00:05:15.870 --> 00:05:17.970

Ken Stone: unanticipated expenditures.

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00:05:19.230 --> 00:05:31.710

Ken Stone: For the contracting number libraries and what this is different than what you normally see, because it really had to do with our good old friend the pandemic.

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00:05:33.960 --> 00:05:47.640

Ken Stone: The fact that the the way the contract libraries finances work is most of their finances, some were you most of the money that is spent to make a contract library operate, we spent.

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00:05:47.850 --> 00:05:50.430

Ken Stone: For the system we generate their payroll.

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00:05:51.450 --> 00:05:55.860

Ken Stone: We pay their benefits we buy all the library materials are almost.

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00:05:55.860 --> 00:06:06.120

Ken Stone: All the library material, we pay almost all the utilities directly through the system budget, so the individual contracting library doesn't have to write checks for all that stuff.

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00:06:06.960 --> 00:06:19.590

Ken Stone: What they do have to write checks for are basically fairly small things like the sewer bill if they have a sewer bill or minor repair main stack maintenance I kind of item.

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00:06:20.070 --> 00:06:32.610

Ken Stone: And that's what we call under contract exhibit the contract library direct portion of it, and when they get their contract, they have an exhibit that

shows how much we're spending on their behalf, through the system.

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00:06:33.630 --> 00:06:43.320

Ken Stone: How much they're spending directly and the other thing they do directly is say collect if you come and pay your your overdue flying or you.

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00:06:43.590 --> 00:06:45.630

Ken Stone: pay for copies or something at.

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00:06:45.660 --> 00:06:53.940

Ken Stone: The columns public library, like those revenue is collected at calls public library and it's reported with columns public library.

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00:06:54.840 --> 00:06:55.860

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: So each year.

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00:06:56.730 --> 00:07:01.110

Ken Stone: we're developing the budget, most of that expense and system side.

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00:07:02.550 --> 00:07:08.520

Ken Stone: there's a small amount of expense in the contract library direct side, and then we have to estimate the revenues.

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00:07:09.090 --> 00:07:16.860

Ken Stone: And the revenues, basically, the difference between what we estimate the revenues will be and what they would spend directly.

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00:07:17.370 --> 00:07:29.340

Ken Stone: Is budgeted as a return to the system to help us pay their salary in fringe benefits so forth, well, as you can imagine, last year revenue this we're not up to snuff.

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00:07:30.300 --> 00:07:39.930

Ken Stone: And you had you had a situation where as we're closing the books three libraries, the columns public library, the town of concord public library.

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00:07:40.470 --> 00:07:53.130

Ken Stone: A new city public library had more direct expenditures than they had revenue to pay for them and what they ended up doing directly in their little budgets now all three of them.

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00:07:54.090 --> 00:08:05.970

Ken Stone: Had substantial savings in Labor Labor and fringe benefit expense, but that's on our side of the ledger so while they met spend a lot less money than budgeted.

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00:08:06.900 --> 00:08:15.510

Ken Stone: The portion that they spent directly was exceeded the revenue and they had to dip into their savings, so their donations to cover the cash.

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00:08:16.890 --> 00:08:29.700

Ken Stone: resolution would do is recognize that that that happened and it would pay the grand total from often between all three libraries is 6624 bucks.

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00:08:30.720 --> 00:08:32.040 Ken Stone: This resolution would.

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00:08:33.090 --> 00:08:41.370

Ken Stone: authorize the use of fun balance, because the savings were in 2020 that they had in their Labor and so forth, that fell to our fund balance.

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00:08:41.760 --> 00:08:44.070

Ken Stone: is available a son designated fund balance so.

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00:08:44.070 --> 00:08:46.950

Ken Stone: With this resolution would bring it out a fund balance.

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00:08:48.000 --> 00:08:59.580

Ken Stone: And authorize us to reimburse them basically to send them a check in the amount of 1659 four columns so 111 76 for newstead and i'm for.

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00:09:00.240 --> 00:09:10.380

Ken Stone: concord and 3789 for newstead the biggest difference for newson why it's a little bit more is there the one of the few libraries that pays their electric bill.

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00:09:11.880 --> 00:09:18.330

Ken Stone: They are serviced by akron akron municipal electric and municipal electrics tend to have.

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83
00:09:18.360 --> 00:09:19.650
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: very, very low rates.
84
00:09:19.890 --> 00:09:20.880
Ken Stone: And the county can't beat it.
85
00:09:21.300 --> 00:09:24.510
Ken Stone: So they pay their bill direct that's my bad month dollar amounts larger.
86
00:09:24.930 --> 00:09:36.360
Ken Stone: And essentially what this does is a kind of a bunch of transfer that
crosses fiscal year so that's why we have to bring it out of fun balanced so that's
it if there if there any questions.
87
00:09:37.530 --> 00:09:46.170
Ken Stone: The only thing I would add to this is that we're likely to see additional
actions, this year, and perhaps next year.
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00:09:47.370 --> 00:09:49.440
Ken Stone: Because the revenues are such that.
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00:09:50.580 --> 00:09:59.460
Ken Stone: One of the things we found with coven is that with revenues being reduces
as much as they are and for example we're we're.
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00:09:59.910 --> 00:10:14.070
Ken Stone: intentionally making that a wee bit worse because we're waving hold fees,
you know it's hard for people to get in the library, some people have have concerns
about going into libraries, so they use the request system to just come up with it
and.
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00:10:14.280 --> 00:10:16.080
Ken Stone: We don't feel would be appropriate at.
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00:10:16.080 --> 00:10:16.770
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: This point to.
93
00:10:17.010 --> 00:10:17.850
Ken Stone: Virtual see.
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00:10:18.750 --> 00:10:19.170
Ken Stone: and
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00:10:19.560 --> 00:10:24.360
Ken Stone: That means that some of these libraries will be small dollar amounts.
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00:10:25.620 --> 00:10:27.630
Ken Stone: Are half might have a cash flow problem at.
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00:10:27.630 --> 00:10:28.530
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: The beginning of the year.
98
00:10:28.830 --> 00:10:30.450
Ken Stone: Because say that they have a.
99
00:10:33.450 --> 00:10:45.510
Ken Stone: Contract maintenance bill for for some piece of equipment in their
library they pay direct at the beginning of the year, they may not have enough cash
to do that so that's one of the things we're looking at doing for next year's budget
is.
100
00:10:45.540 --> 00:10:47.790
Ken Stone: Perhaps put some kind of a minimum in there.
101
00:10:48.210 --> 00:10:53.820
Ken Stone: That we made disperse those libraries and if they don't need it, we get
it back at the end of the year.
102
00:10:54.210 --> 00:10:56.190
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Because the contract provides.
103
00:10:56.640 --> 00:10:59.850
Ken Stone: That, at the end of the year, any excess.
104
00:10:59.880 --> 00:11:01.740
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: of revenue and what they
directly.
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105
00:11:02.010 --> 00:11:03.930
Ken Stone: spend sent back to.
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00:11:03.960 --> 00:11:05.670
Ken Stone: US it's called the return system.
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00:11:06.060 --> 00:11:07.140
Ken Stone: To help cover the Labor.
108
00:11:07.740 --> 00:11:08.730
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: So it really is a.
109
00:11:09.240 --> 00:11:15.240
Ken Stone: You know it's a net no cost transaction it's just making it easier for
them to budget management and.
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00:11:16.410 --> 00:11:27.600
Ken Stone: yeah i'm several of them were worried about how do I meet you know pay
this bill and we've explained how cash flow works, but i'm glad that their words and
their attuned to it they're concerned about it because it's.
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00:11:28.830 --> 00:11:30.030
Ken Stone: So any questions.
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00:11:32.250 --> 00:11:33.840
SheldonBerlow: No, thank you very much.
113
00:11:34.350 --> 00:11:34.710
Ken Stone: Thank you.
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00:11:36.540 --> 00:11:36.840
SheldonBerlow: Very.
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00:11:37.920 --> 00:11:38.790
Ken Stone: fun and excitement.
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00:11:39.060 --> 00:11:47.100
Kathleen B Bucki: Thank you can and i'm janine heard something in the chat about the
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State reports I don't know if we need to say that verbally.

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00:11:48.630 --> 00:11:56.100

Jeannine Doyle: Okay, and say, I just wanted to add that this year's report, like usually at the board things i'll give some comparables.

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00:11:56.190 --> 00:11:57.030 Jeannine Doyle: i'll point out.

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00:11:57.990 --> 00:12:11.730

Jeannine Doyle: Some statistics with regards to changes either pluses or minuses and this year it's unlikely that point out too much because it's really just so hard to compare it to prior years.

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00:12:13.290 --> 00:12:13.560

Ken Stone: yeah.

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00:12:16.260 --> 00:12:18.210

Kathleen B Bucki: yeah I think that we all understand.

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00:12:20.820 --> 00:12:29.520

Ken Stone: The numbers ago look a little goofy if you're comparing prior year, especially from this point forward, because now say, April and May.

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00:12:30.840 --> 00:12:48.090

Ken Stone: The business we're doing is you know people are coming back, but they're not coming back at normal level set because they're being careful, amongst other things, and and yet, if you look at the MID April and perhaps may stats typically May.

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00:12:49.200 --> 00:12:49.800

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: we're gonna look.

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00:12:50.070 --> 00:12:57.510

Ken Stone: Like it's gangbuster business because in 2020 there was very little it was curbside pickup for a lot of so.

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00:13:00.270 --> 00:13:07.020

Ken Stone: or closed entirely, and it was all electronic circulate, so the numbers are going to be really goofy.

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00:13:08.040 --> 00:13:14.280

Ken Stone: And if you see reports about employment and other other fiscal reports and governmental levels.

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00:13:14.640 --> 00:13:16.020

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: keep that in mind too, because the.

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00:13:16.020 --> 00:13:17.220

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: same thing is going to be happening.

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00:13:21.900 --> 00:13:23.460 Kathleen B Bucki: Okay, so.

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00:13:25.530 --> 00:13:29.460

Kathleen B Bucki: Now we're on to report to the director Mary Jean.

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00:13:31.080 --> 00:13:42.660

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Sure i'm Thank you very much, if you don't mind I just would like to mention, I know, the next item is the Association of contracting library trustees, I just wanted to mention, there will be a report next week on that.

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00:13:43.410 --> 00:13:55.980

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: They are planning to have a program via zoom on May, the first you've all been getting those invites and the agenda for that will be coming out in about a week once they finalize that.

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00:13:57.570 --> 00:14:20.250

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: My report and thank you very much, Madam chair, I am pleased to to let everyone know, last month, I announced that our libraries would be providing appointments to assist people and getting vaccines, we have already in the first two weeks of that program have helped over 150 people.

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00:14:21.330 --> 00:14:31.470

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: The comments are tremendous anything from your staff is an air angels Thank you so much, we never would have gotten our appointments had it not been.

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00:14:31.980 --> 00:14:41.760

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: For so i'm very proud of this program as it continues, and we are also on that respect working with the erie county Department of Health.

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00:14:42.390 --> 00:14:52.890

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Who will be opening up an appointment assistance line as well, and we will be, of course, providing referrals to each other so i'm very pleased with your Program.

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00:14:54.540 --> 00:15:04.140

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: I don't have much of another report except to let all of you know, I had a conversation with chair buckeye last evening.

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00:15:05.550 --> 00:15:19.050

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: And I am informing i'll get emotional I am informing you that I have submitting my intense for retirement effective June 20 of this year.

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00:15:19.980 --> 00:15:20.520 Really.

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00:15:22.050 --> 00:15:31.020

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: really, really, I will send a copy of my letter to all of you and to the full board this evening.

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00:15:31.470 --> 00:15:41.520

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: I just want to thank the board profusely for all of the support that you have given me throughout my 10 year you know the library really has a special place.

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00:15:42.000 --> 00:15:53.940

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: parks, this was not an easy decision, it was really based on my need to to have some time with family, and you know there's multiple factors to it but.

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00:15:54.390 --> 00:16:16.260

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: I just want you to know that I appreciate everything and I most certainly will be working with chair buckeye on

outlining some options that the Board will have in transitioning from from my being in the position to whomever enters the position and, of course, we have our wonderful janine.

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00:16:18.660 --> 00:16:32.400

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: In my absence she's always been you know responsible party, so you know, I think that you know we'll have those conversations is the days begin to unfold, but.

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00:16:33.420 --> 00:16:41.160

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Please know that I appreciate all of you, and I thank you for your understanding in my need to make this announcement.

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00:16:43.350 --> 00:16:43.680

SheldonBerlow: whoo.

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00:16:46.860 --> 00:16:50.640

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Yes, that was there was a good reaction, Mr birla whoo I liked it.

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00:16:53.100 --> 00:17:01.680

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: I liked I liked it so with with that, and you know i'm my report there for today, but thank you.

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00:17:04.200 --> 00:17:04.650

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: well.

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00:17:06.210 --> 00:17:08.190

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: i'm safe for us but i'm happy for you.

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00:17:09.450 --> 00:17:10.320

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Thank you elaine.

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00:17:11.640 --> 00:17:24.450

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: I look forward to the next chapter, and I think the libraries future is bright and exciting and I will really be thrilled to learn about the libraries next chapter as well.

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00:17:26.070 --> 00:17:29.880
SheldonBerlow: Can we ask you a couple questions going ahead and.
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00:17:29.970 --> 00:17:30.420
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: so on.
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00:17:30.780 --> 00:17:32.160
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: A horse yo.
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00:17:32.700 --> 00:17:34.560
SheldonBerlow: Did you say June 1.
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00:17:35.460 --> 00:17:39.240
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: June 20 June 20 20th.
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00:17:40.920 --> 00:17:45.540
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: there's still a couple of
months there's still a couple of months, I wanted to give you plenty of time.
160
00:17:46.830 --> 00:17:48.960
Ted Johnson: 20th 2026.
161
00:17:51.060 --> 00:17:52.710
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: No, no i'm sorry.
162
00:17:53.790 --> 00:17:54.630
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Is that.
163
00:17:56.220 --> 00:18:02.580
SheldonBerlow: definite date or would you stay with us, through a search or replace
replacements.
164
00:18:04.440 --> 00:18:17.880
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: June 20, this is a definite
date I would prefer to have a definite date I certainly can help in any way, and you
know for a search if that's what the board chooses to do.
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00:18:18.480 --> 00:18:30.180
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In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: there's been a lot of changes

in in how libraries are RON and operated meeting the director position or or a chief executive officer position.

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00:18:30.480 --> 00:18:45.360
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: And i'd like to just really
outline those things to the board, because you really do have you have options, and
you have you have an option to really you know it takes some time and decide the
direction and the future of the library.
167
00:18:47.160 --> 00:18:47.490
SheldonBerlow: Okay.
168
00:18:47.550 --> 00:18:54.360
SheldonBerlow: Then um, can I ask you a couple of simple term things, while we're
together.
169
00:18:54.630 --> 00:18:54.990
work.
170
00:18:56.340 --> 00:19:01.650
SheldonBerlow: Number one have we resolve successfully.
171
00:19:02.850 --> 00:19:08.640
SheldonBerlow: New employee issue compensation issues that we've been debating.
172
00:19:09.690 --> 00:19:31.560
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Yes, yes, all of that has been
care of the compensation for the library administration, I had authorized those
changes pursuant to exactly what was presented to the Executive Committee that
packet, that is, that is, the the numbers that I went with yes all taken care of
Thank you.
173
00:19:31.950 --> 00:19:33.210
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Okay um.
174
00:19:33.270 --> 00:19:35.280
SheldonBerlow: Second, and this is looking.
175
00:19:35.310 --> 00:19:36.810
far ahead.
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176
00:19:37.890 --> 00:19:39.600
SheldonBerlow: However, I do see a.
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00:19:39.720 --> 00:19:49.080
SheldonBerlow: reliable source and so on, that we have to begin to think of proof of
vaccination.
178
00:19:50.430 --> 00:19:53.430
SheldonBerlow: Vaccination cards, and I think.
179
00:19:58.740 --> 00:20:05.640
SheldonBerlow: Just places are beginning to do what I think it behooves us to be
prepared to.
180
00:20:05.700 --> 00:20:08.880
SheldonBerlow: face the question in a good manner.
181
00:20:09.390 --> 00:20:09.930
SheldonBerlow: How would.
182
00:20:10.410 --> 00:20:12.360
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: recommend that.
183
00:20:12.480 --> 00:20:20.070
SheldonBerlow: That we what we do, or not do, because this can be a very important.
184
00:20:21.240 --> 00:20:22.140
SheldonBerlow: As well as.
185
00:20:22.200 --> 00:20:39.060
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: divisive issue, it is a very
important issue, it is also, in my opinion, something worthy of a legal opinion, as
well as conversation with the erie county health department, so I I absolutely.
186
00:20:40.770 --> 00:21:03.510
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: will be reaching out to our
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legal team over athon shown it asking for guidance speak particularly because we are a public entity and that's the critical piece of this, and so I think getting their

opinion and their advice is absolutely critical and the decision making process.

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00:21:04.080 --> 00:21:07.980

SheldonBerlow: Oh, I agree completely I just wondered whether you are.

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00:21:08.280 --> 00:21:17.640

SheldonBerlow: willing to march into this, considering you have such short time and I was hoping you'd say yes, because of.

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00:21:17.850 --> 00:21:19.830

SheldonBerlow: no end to the board.

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00:21:19.860 --> 00:21:29.640

SheldonBerlow: The background and so on, if you want to this is certainly your prerogative, that we should know in advance.

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00:21:30.360 --> 00:21:32.910

SheldonBerlow: That we're going to have to provide.

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00:21:33.000 --> 00:21:34.710

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: This kind of information.

193

00:21:35.490 --> 00:21:38.490

SheldonBerlow: At some time through another channel as.

194

00:21:39.870 --> 00:21:49.530

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Well, I appreciate the fact that you feel it's my prerogative, but I think all of you know me well enough i'm not going to leave anything hanging that's just not who, I am as a person.

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00:21:49.890 --> 00:22:05.910

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: And that's who I have been in this position so absolutely you know I would say both feet forward, but I would say, a button and a boot forward with my with my broken I go here So yes, absolutely I will be in contact.

196

00:22:06.990 --> 00:22:07.320

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Okay.

197

00:22:07.770 --> 00:22:12.300
SheldonBerlow: Thank you very much, because that's very important each of this particular issue.
198
00:22:14.940 --> 00:22:15.240

199

00:22:15.360 --> 00:22:24.030

SheldonBerlow: Man, but just hope that with all your knowledge and understanding that would be with us, at least in the beginning.

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00:22:26.580 --> 00:22:27.270

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Absolutely.

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: are a.

201

00:22:34.860 --> 00:22:37.860

SheldonBerlow: Formally search committee really.

202

00:22:40.410 --> 00:22:40.920

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: No.

203

00:22:42.630 --> 00:22:49.950

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: I think it's important for an outline of the different options because think certainly have changed in in the.

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00:22:50.490 --> 00:23:06.000

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: New York State Department of Education and things have changed in library world, so let me put something together, I will present that to share buckeye and then i'm sure she will begin to formulate a plan thereafter.

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00:23:08.340 --> 00:23:08.550

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: yeah.

206

00:23:09.780 --> 00:23:15.900

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Mr Mr birla, as I said, to Mary Jean this would be my sixth director.

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00:23:18.810 --> 00:23:19.440

There we go.

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00:23:20.460 --> 00:23:21.900

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: But who's counting right I.

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00:23:23.310 --> 00:23:24.090

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: will definitely.

210

00:23:24.270 --> 00:23:26.610

Kathleen B Bucki: call on your wisdom and experience.

211

00:23:26.610 --> 00:23:28.440

Kathleen B Bucki: lean in this process.

212

00:23:29.820 --> 00:23:40.590

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: I know I wasn't expecting this to come up to you know, we have no we have like yours to go that's The other thing, so what I want to tell you also.

213

00:23:41.940 --> 00:23:51.750

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: I saw I was on as it was channel for last night or the night before they get another piece and their news thing about the library.

214

00:23:52.440 --> 00:23:57.300

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: And it showed the different libraries that we're going to have consultants there for that, where people are going.

215

00:23:57.750 --> 00:24:11.460

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: And they, and so this helps also because it's been added before if you keep putting it on periodically and I everybody else does that, then it helps us it helps immensely we have very good press coverage on it i'm very thrilled with that.

216

00:24:12.900 --> 00:24:13.500

Well, marriage.

217

00:24:14.520 --> 00:24:16.410

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: I think my first thought was to vote.

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218
00:24:16.710 --> 00:24:21.300
Ted Johnson: For you, as Executive Director so i'm very, very sorry to hear you.
219
00:24:22.710 --> 00:24:24.270
Ted Johnson: decide it's time to retire.
220
00:24:27.570 --> 00:24:32.400
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Thanks, I appreciate your
support, I do but it's time.
221
00:24:33.840 --> 00:24:34.440
Ted Johnson: I understand.
222
00:24:35.970 --> 00:24:37.110
Ted Johnson: I wish I could retire.
223
00:24:38.040 --> 00:24:38.250
yeah.
224
00:24:41.220 --> 00:24:43.320
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: You got so much gumption left
there to.
225
00:24:44.970 --> 00:24:45.720
get one down.
226
00:24:49.650 --> 00:24:50.760
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Well, Mary Kay this.
227
00:24:50.760 --> 00:24:51.450
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Is Kim.
228
00:24:52.380 --> 00:24:53.040
Kimberly Johnson: I am.
229
00:24:53.640 --> 00:24:57.720
Kimberly Johnson: very sorry I know my eyes look like they were gonna pop out of my
head when.
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230
00:24:58.830 --> 00:25:00.270
Kimberly Johnson: When you said that.
231
00:25:00.390 --> 00:25:01.770
Kimberly Johnson: And i'm just.
232
00:25:01.860 --> 00:25:03.780
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: speech list um.
233
00:25:04.710 --> 00:25:09.210
Kimberly Johnson: I just don't know we we we would be able to go for advocacy day,
what are we going to do.
234
00:25:10.410 --> 00:25:22.200
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Well, you know I can always
see a patron advocates and maybe the library would invite invite me along to
advocacy day I would be very happy to go in a different capacity.
235
00:25:22.620 --> 00:25:23.970
Kimberly Johnson: I will put you in my carry.
236
00:25:23.970 --> 00:25:26.040
Kimberly Johnson: Then, yes okay.
237
00:25:27.330 --> 00:25:27.690
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Do.
238
00:25:28.110 --> 00:25:31.500
Kimberly Johnson: It because they're going to be looking for you, they won't
recognize this without you.
239
00:25:32.640 --> 00:25:37.530
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: But here's hoping that
advocacy day will be like it used to be not like last year yeah.
240
00:25:37.830 --> 00:25:38.250
Right.
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241
00:25:39.360 --> 00:25:40.200
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Exactly.
242
00:25:41.790 --> 00:25:58.440
Kimberly Johnson: Well i'm definitely I I am so grateful to you for the opportunity
i'm so i'm grateful for to to you for everything that i've learned, thus and the
wonderful people that i've met thus far from here, and just think but for.
243
00:25:59.220 --> 00:26:02.580
Kimberly Johnson: My mom and I will never.
244
00:26:02.670 --> 00:26:03.300
Even.
245
00:26:04.920 --> 00:26:10.320
Kimberly Johnson: Come this way so um I definitely appreciate, you will.
246
00:26:10.470 --> 00:26:12.810
Kimberly Johnson: Definitely miss you, but I respect.
247
00:26:13.770 --> 00:26:16.140
Kimberly Johnson: Retirement I respect.
248
00:26:16.170 --> 00:26:21.330
Kimberly Johnson: Anyone that reaches out and takes advantage of their opportunity
to retire.
249
00:26:24.420 --> 00:26:25.320
Kimberly Johnson: because she didn't.
250
00:26:27.180 --> 00:26:28.410
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Right right.
251
00:26:29.340 --> 00:26:31.560
Kimberly Johnson: because she didn't and.
252
00:26:32.790 --> 00:26:33.600
Kimberly Johnson: She just.
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253
00:26:33.720 --> 00:26:34.800
Kimberly Johnson: wasn't driving for us.
254
00:26:34.830 --> 00:26:35.220
Kimberly Johnson: And as.
255
00:26:35.310 --> 00:26:38.940
Kimberly Johnson: I see her in you and and.
256
00:26:40.530 --> 00:26:40.920
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: So.
257
00:26:41.310 --> 00:26:44.400
Kimberly Johnson: take advantage and be with your family.
258
00:26:44.820 --> 00:26:45.840
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: So support.
259
00:26:45.840 --> 00:26:46.470
Kimberly Johnson: Your decision.
260
00:26:48.090 --> 00:26:48.990
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Thank you, Kim.
261
00:26:50.070 --> 00:26:57.000
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: But you know what can they say
once you retired you're just as busy as when you were working gosh that's going to
be her case.
262
00:26:57.030 --> 00:26:58.830
Kimberly Johnson: i'm sure that's going to be the case with her.
263
00:26:59.340 --> 00:27:00.960
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: I know I know where she's
going.
264
00:27:02.760 --> 00:27:04.080
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Ted Johnson: she's going to Disney world. 265 00:27:09.690 --> 00:27:12.450 In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: favorite place in the world or never now. 266 00:27:15.240 --> 00:27:18.870 In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Thank you all, I appreciate your kind words and support and. 267 00:27:19.890 --> 00:27:20.970 In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: You know, Kim to be. 268 00:27:22.320 --> 00:27:26.580 In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: The same sentence with your mom just touches my heart in a way that I. 269 00:27:28.200 --> 00:27:31.410 In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: i'm really glad i'm not out of bed a screen right now. 270 00:27:33.510 --> 00:27:36.840 In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: But thank you for that it means a tremendous amount to me. 271 00:27:39.360 --> 00:27:41.940 In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: don't make this harder you folks don't make the heart. 272 00:27:45.150 --> 00:27:45.780 Kathleen B Bucki: We all. 273 00:27:45.960 --> 00:27:47.340 Kathleen B Bucki: appreciate you and. 274 00:27:48.390 --> 00:27:50.100 Kathleen B Bucki: You will wish you the best but. 275

00:27:50.430 --> 00:27:50.880

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Kathleen B Bucki: You know.
276
00:27:50.940 --> 00:27:51.420
Kathleen B Bucki: it's going to be.
277
00:27:59.370 --> 00:28:00.000
Kathleen B Bucki: it's gonna be.
278
00:28:00.120 --> 00:28:01.050
Kathleen B Bucki: Tough for us to.
279
00:28:02.220 --> 00:28:03.060
Kathleen B Bucki: find someone.
280
00:28:03.540 --> 00:28:04.710
to step into your role.
281
00:28:05.730 --> 00:28:06.000
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: With.
282
00:28:06.120 --> 00:28:06.750
Kathleen B Bucki: or without the.
283
00:28:09.480 --> 00:28:18.270
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Right I I have, I have no
doubt that you will be able to do it and I, you know, I have some thoughts on that
and I will put those plans together so.
284
00:28:20.010 --> 00:28:21.450
Kathleen B Bucki: Well, thank you so much.
285
00:28:22.170 --> 00:28:22.890
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: And thank you.
286
00:28:24.000 --> 00:28:25.650
Kathleen B Bucki: I don't think there's anyone from the public.
287
00:28:25.650 --> 00:28:26.970
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Kathleen B Bucki: hears that right.
288
00:28:29.940 --> 00:28:35.160
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Correct yeah I mean I think
nice what I think makes it so hard for us cases that.
289
00:28:36.840 --> 00:28:38.280
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: and looking at all of the.
290
00:28:40.380 --> 00:28:44.340
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: items in the news and all the
different reports that have been made.
291
00:28:47.130 --> 00:28:48.600
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: If it's been said.
292
00:28:49.830 --> 00:28:56.310
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: That Mary Jean as a Director
has become the face of the library, and I think that's what makes it so hard for us
to.
293
00:28:57.630 --> 00:28:59.010
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: see her lead because.
294
00:29:00.060 --> 00:29:02.910
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: More than any of the past
directors, she has really.
295
00:29:04.440 --> 00:29:09.840
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: stood out as far as reaching
out to the public and going to all the different functions and.
296
00:29:10.890 --> 00:29:11.280
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: and
297
00:29:12.780 --> 00:29:14.340
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: And just bringing the the.
298
00:29:15.420 --> 00:29:26.700
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In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: The public, making the public
aware of what the library doesn't all that we have done and what we're doing any
that that's the part that really I think that's what makes it so hard for us.
299
00:29:34.560 --> 00:29:36.570
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Just for me anyway that's the
deal yeah.
300
00:29:38.100 --> 00:29:38.700
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: That is.
301
00:29:39.120 --> 00:29:39.900
A great point.
302
00:29:46.350 --> 00:29:47.100
Kathleen B Bucki: Any other.
303
00:29:48.540 --> 00:29:50.580
Kathleen B Bucki: Comments questions I.
304
00:29:51.720 --> 00:29:53.160
Kathleen B Bucki: can answer them all today right.
305
00:29:59.160 --> 00:30:01.050
Kathleen B Bucki: So is there a motion to adjourn.
306
00:30:02.280 --> 00:30:06.270
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: So anyway and i'll make the
motion before I start crying.
307
00:30:09.510 --> 00:30:10.080
In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: shoulder.
308
00:30:12.750 --> 00:30:13.410
All favor.
309
00:30:14.640 --> 00:30:14.970
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In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: I.

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310
00:30:16.620 --> 00:30:17.310
Kimberly Johnson: Have a good day.

311
00:30:17.340 --> 00:30:18.120
Kathleen B Bucki: Have a good weekend.

312
00:30:19.050 --> 00:30:20.430
Kathleen B Bucki: Thanks everyone next.

313
00:30:20.430 --> 00:30:20.730
Week.

314
00:30:22.620 --> 00:30:23.280
Thank you.
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315 00:30:25.650 --> 00:30:26.280

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Okay now.
316
00:30:26.460 --> 00:30:27.030

In Person Audio - Elaine Panty, Mary Jean Jakubowski: Mary Jane.