MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BUFFALO & ERIE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES February 4, 2022

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library was held on Friday, February 4, 2022, remotely via Zoom pursuant to due notice to trustees. Per Chapter 417 of the Laws of 2021, which modifies Open Meetings Law through the end of the declared COVID-19 state disaster emergency, trustees attending remotely were counted for quorum and voting. The following members were present:

Kimberly Johnson, Chair
Carima El-Behairy, Vice Chair
Joel Moore, Secretary
Alan Bedenko, Treasurer
Michael Amodeo, Esq.
Sheldon M. Berlow
Kathleen Berens Bucki, MLS
Lucy A. Candelario
John D. Craik
Frank Gist
Frank Housh, Esq.
Sharon M. Kelly, Esq.
Elaine M. Panty

Chair Kimberly Johnson called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m. A quorum was present.

Chair Johnson welcomed trustees to the special meeting to conduct interviews with the finalist candidates for the position of Library Director. She entertained a motion to enter Executive Session at 10:05 a.m. Trustee Berlow moved, Trustee El-Behairy seconded, and approval was unanimous. All Board members, search firm representatives, and Richard Earne from the Search Committee were invited to remain; any public would be placed in a Zoom waiting room as needed. Trustee Panty joined the Executive Session at 2:12 p.m., and Trustee Bedenko joined at 2:34 p.m.

At 4:02 p.m., on a motion by Trustee Kelly, seconded by Trustee El-Behairy and approved unanimously, the Board concluded Executive Session and adjourned the meeting. No action was taken in Executive Session.

Respectfully submitted,

Joel Moore Secretary