

PROPOSED
MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
BUFFALO & ERIE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
April 28, 2026

A special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library was held on Tuesday, April 28, 2026 at the Central Library pursuant to due notice to trustees. The following members were present:

Carima El-Behairy, Chair
Christopher Sasiadek, Esq., Vice Chair*
Prof. Christine P. Bartholomew, Esq., Secretary
John D. Craik, Esq., Treasurer
Michael Amodeo, Esq.
Nathaniel W. Barnes
Alan J. Bedenko, Esq.
Kathleen Berens Bucki, MLS
Adam Bojak, Esq.
Kimberly Johnson
Sharon M. Kelly, Esq.
Elaine M. Panty

*Trustee Sasiadek attended the meeting via conference phone and was not counted for quorum or voting.

Chair El-Behairy called the meeting to order at 11:44 a.m. A quorum was present. The following individuals were also in attendance: Martha Buyer, ACT Chair and Search Committee member; Briana Trudell and Karen Miller from search firm Bradbury Miller Associates.

Chair El-Behairy 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 11:45 a.m. Trustee Amodeo moved, Trustee Panty seconded, and approval was unanimous. All Board members, search firm representatives, and Martha Buyer were invited to remain.

Trustee Berens Bucki joined the Executive Session at 11:47 a.m.

Trustee Johnson joined the Executive Session at 11:56 a.m.

Trustee Barnes joined the Executive Session at 4:00 p.m.

At 5:49 p.m., on a motion by Trustee Amodeo, seconded by Trustee Berens Bucki and approved unanimously, the Board concluded Executive Session. No action was taken in Executive Session.

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At 5:50 p.m., a motion by Trustee Johnson and seconded by Trustee Panty was made: the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library Board of Trustees authorizes Bradbury Miller Associates to enter negotiations and extend an offer with the preferred candidate for the position of Library Director. This passed unanimously.

There being no further business, on a motion by Trustee Amodeo with a second by Trustee Bartholomew, the meeting was adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine P. Bartholomew
Secretary