FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF BERKELEY HEIGHTS

Board of Trustees October 5, 2026 Special Meeting Minutes

Board President Barnes called the meeting to order at 7:05pm In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 to -21), advanced notice of this meeting has been advertised on BHPL's website and on the website of the New Jersey Secretary of State.

1. Roll Call

Board members present: Mary Jean Barnes, Chris Reilly, Patty Pinies, Diane O'Halloran, Liz Gosen, Athena Sapir, BH Superintendent of Schools Dr. Kim Feltre, Mayor's Alternate Susan Poage

Also present: BHPL Assistant Director Maureen Langley

2. Public Comment

No one present.

3. Executive Session

Board President Barnes read the Resolution to enter the Executive Session. O'Halloran motioned to enter into Executive Session, seconded by Sapir. All in favor and the motion passed. The Board entered into Executive Session at 7:09pm.

Board exited Executive Session at 8:15pm; no action was taken.

4. Personnel Matters

Board President Barnes motioned to accept the resignation of the Library Director, Amy Steinbauer, with payment of salary and benefits until October 15, 2026. Seconded by Feltre. All in favor and the motion passed.

Board President Barnes motioned to approve the hiring Cordelia Anderson Consulting to provide PR and Marketing services for a fee of $4,000.00. Seconded by Gosen. Barnes, Reilly, Pinies, O'Halloran, Gosen, Sapir, and Feltre vote yes, Poage voted no. Motion passes.

5. Adjournment

There being no further business, Sapir moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:18pm, seconded by Gosen, all voted in favor, and the motion passed.