

**METROPOLITAN NEW YORK LIBRARY COUNCIL**

**Board of Trustees Meeting**

**Thursday, May 2, 2019**

**3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

**Minutes**

**Present:** Nick Buron (video), Stephen Bury, Josh Greenberg, Nicholas Higgins, Brian Kenney (phone), Shannon Mattern, Leah Meisterlin (video), Jim Neal

**Not Present:** Greta Byrum, Valeda Dent, Donna Gibson, Caryl Matute

**Staff:** Nate Hill, Shelly Mohammed

Shannon Mattern brought the meeting to order at approximately 3:05 p.m.

After brief introductions, Mattern motioned to accept the minutes from the February 28, 2019 board meeting. Moved by Jim Neal and seconded by Stephen Bury, the board voted unanimously to accept the minutes.

**President's Update:**

- The board congratulated Leah Meisterlin on receiving a university teaching award
- Code, Craft & Catalogues: Arts in the Libraries Symposium at METRO
- Symposium at NYU's Institute for Public Knowledge with Eric Klinenberg's book release

**Update from Margaret Sullivan re Strategic planning.**

**Finance Update:**

Nate Hill gave a brief overview of METRO's budget. Hill mentioned that the budget is balanced and highlighted space rentals will be over budget by the end of the FY. State grants will be flat next FY. Neal suggested doing an analysis on cd gains and losses.

Hill presented FY 2019-2020 budget. Mattern motioned to approve the budget. Moved by Neal and seconded by Bury, the board voted unanimously to approve FY 2019-2020 budget.

**Executive Director's Report:**

- Strategic planning
- ESDN and DPLA
- State Librarian updates
- METRO's programmatic direction
- Waiting for funds to be released for Phase II of NYC Digital Safety grant
- Sending METRO's Manager of Programs and Partnerships to the [Next Library](#) Conference
- Conference in Oslo to speak about privacy work
- METRO Referral card program launched yesterday
- Delivery updates
- METRO Digitization Grants
- Preserve this Podcast episode 4 is up. Mellon funded. Panel discussions upcoming.
- Peter Hedrich renting space at METRO
- Archipelago
- Berkman Klein updates
- Archipelago adoption strategy, assessment plan, and timeline framework discussion
  - Signed contract with Western Council
- Onboarding new board members

The meeting was adjourned at 4:38 p.m.

**2019 Board Meeting Dates**

Monday, July 29, 2019

Tuesday, September 24, 2019 (virtual)

Monday, November 18, 2019

Thursday, December 19, 2019 (virtual)

*All meetings are 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. at METRO.*