

**METROPOLITAN NEW YORK LIBRARY COUNCIL**  
**Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**Friday, December 8, 2023**  
**3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

**Minutes**

**Present:** Nick Buron, Stephen Bury, Donna Gibson, Nick Higgins, Patricia Hswe, Shannon Mattern, Caryl Matute, Leah Meisterlin, Jesse Montero, Kameelah Rasheed (video)

**Not Present:** H. Austin Booth, Melissa Jacobs, Jim Neal

**Staff:** Nate Hill

Shannon Mattern brought the meeting to order at approximately 3:10 p.m.

**Minutes:**

Mattern motioned to accept the minutes from the 09/29/2023 board meeting. Moved by Leah Meisterlin and seconded by Stephen Bury, the board voted unanimously to accept the minutes.

Change nick Buron to present in last minutes

**President's Update:**

Mattern spoke briefly about her new position at UPenn, then prepared to speak and put forth a motion to vote on METRO's new Mission and Vision statements. Nate Hill gave background on the process of creating the new statements.

Mattern motioned to approve and adopt both statements. Moved by Donna Gibson and seconded by Nick Buron, the board voted unanimously to approve and adopt both statements.

**Executive Director's Report:**

- Library Futures and Digital Ownership
- Networking opportunities
- Special programming grant ideas for 2024
- DERC updates
- ESLN updates
- Program and events updates
- Digital equity highlights
- Digital services and repositories
- Library Field

**Library Field Development:**

Mattern motioned to vote for the board to continue its support for the Executive Director's ongoing efforts toward developing the Library Field. Moved by Leah Meisterlin and seconded by Bury, the board voted unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

