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Ralph S. Bingham III, Executive Director

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING MINUTES

July 16, 2026, 10:30 a.m. – In-Person at LLNJ Office and Via Zoom

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Present

Amy Behr-Shields
Helen-Ann Brown Epstein
Akiema Buchanan
Donna Butler
Michael DiCamillo
Aziza Haque
Kristin Hayes
Yolanda Keahey
James Keebler
Irene Langlois
Ann-Marie Latini
Luca Manna
Dana Nicklas
Joan Serpico
Autumn Sinai

Absent

Also Attending

Ralph Bingham, Executive Director, LibraryLinkNJ
Michael Maziekien, New Jersey State Library
Carol Fishwick, Minute Taker

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m. by Board President Amy Behr-Shields who announced that the meeting was in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF FY27 SLATE OF OFFICERS

Executive Director Ralph Bingham presented the slate of officers. Irene Langlois moved to approve the slate of officers. Helen-Ann Brown Epstein seconded the motion, which passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

James Keebler presented the June 18, 2026, Executive Board Meeting Minutes, which were approved by unanimous consent.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Executive Board President Amy Behr-Shields welcomed our new board members and reported that she was happy to have an in-person meeting to start off the new year.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Executive Director Ralph Bingham presented the Financial Reports. Helen-Ann Brown Epstein moved to adopt the Operating Expenses/Bill List, Budget vs. Expense Report Investment report into record and approve the Check Detail Report for payment. James Keebler seconded the motion, which passed.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Ralph Bingham presented a report.

NEW JERSEY STATE LIBRARY REPORT

Michael Maziekien, New Jersey State Library, presented a report.

CORRESPONDENCE AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

No Correspondence or Public Comment.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

No unfinished business.

NEW BUSINESS.

- Luca Manna moved to approve the FY27 Executive Board Committees. Akiema Buchanan seconded the motion, which passed.
- Joan Serpico Moved to approve the FY27 Executive Board meeting dates. Donna Butler seconded the motion, which passed.
- Luca Manna moved to approve the FY27 recurring payments. Akiema Buchanan seconded the motion, which passed.

ADJOURNMENT

Luca Manna moved to adjourn the meeting. Akiema Buchanan seconded the motion, which passed. The meeting was adjourned at 3:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Joan Serpico

Secretary