

UPPER SADDLE RIVER LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
April 16, 2026

	Present	Absent
Miriam Bakal	X	
Dennis DeBenedetto		X
Maria-Elena DeGregorio		X
Erica Fields	X	
Robin Friedman	X	
Kathryn Ennist, Director	X	
Louisa Quarto, Alternate to the Mayor	X	
Kerri Parelhoff, Alternate to the Superintendent	X	

Miriam Bakal called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Pursuant to New Jersey P.L. 2025, c. 72, proper notice of this meeting has been provided by posting appropriate notice on the Library’s website under the “Legal Notices and Public Announcements” section where the complete text of all legal notices required to be published by the Upper Saddle River Library can be obtained or viewed by the public at <https://uppersaddleriverlibrary.org/>. In addition, notice has been posted on the Library Bulletin Board; and notice was sent to the Borough of Upper Saddle River. The New Jersey Secretary of State has established a Legal Notice Hyperlink Page, <https://www.nj.gov/state/statewide-legal-notices-list.shtml>, allowing members of the public to find hyperlinks to the Official Internet Legal Notices Webpage of the Upper Saddle River Library.

Miriam Bakal took a roll call for attendance: Bakal- yes, DeBenedetto – absent, DeGregorio- absent, Fields – yes, Friedman- yes, Quarto – yes, Parelhoff – yes.

Erica Fields made a motion, seconded by Miriam Bakal to accept the minutes of the March 18, 2026 minutes. The motion was unanimously approved

The meeting was opened to the public for comment. No one from the public was present.

Correspondence: None.

Financial: Robin Friedman presented the Schedule of Revenues and Expenses from January 1, 2026 through April 15, 2026. Miriam Bakal made a motion, seconded by Robin Friedman to accept the following resolution: Be it resolved that the attached Schedule of Revenue and Expenses from January 1, 2026 through April 15, 2026 be approved. The motion was unanimously approved.

Robin Friedman presented the check and voucher register from March 19, 2026 through April 15, 2026. Miriam Bakal made a motion, seconded by Robin Friedman to accept the following

resolution: Be it resolved that the attached schedule of revenues and expenses from March 19, 2026 through April 15, 2026 be approved. The motion was unanimously approved.

Director's report: Kathryn Ennist the library had purchased two new story time rugs for the children's solarium.

Buildings & Grounds report: Kathryn Ennist reported that Dennis DeBenedetto and she are working on a report regarding the roof and finalizing a capital planning request for a 10 year plan.

Friends report: The Friends sold over \$1800 in books as of last Saturday. They are working on a Wishlist for the children's solarium.

Mayor and Council report: The town will reach out to us about USR Day which is scheduled for September 26, 2026.

Personnel report: Kathryn Ennist reported that two Pages are leaving and a new Page has started last Saturday, and will be working one day a week.

Old Business: None.

New Business: A draft of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Upper Saddle River School District and the Upper Saddle River Public library was circulated to be reviewed by the Board.

Miriam Bakal made a motion, seconded by Erica Fields, to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Erica Fields