



NRPL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, August 13, 2026

New Rochelle Public Library: Main Library Ossie Davis Theater

BOARD MEMBERS

Rhiannon Navin, President
Vera Salter, Vice President
Nancy Weinberger, Secretary
Corey Galloway, Finance Officer
Fela Cortés
Tatiana Infante
Lucille Renwick

ADMINISTRATION

Eugenia Schatoff
Jhenelle Robinson
Yesika Torres

CALL TO ORDER

Rhiannon Navin called the Board meeting to order at 7:30 p.m, a quorum was established.

OPENING ITEMS

Pledge of Allegiance

APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES

Nancy Weinberger made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 9, 2026 meeting of the NRPL Board of Trustees.
Seconded by Corey Galloway and passed unanimously.

Nancy Weinberger made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 30, 2026 Zoom meeting of the NRPL Board of Trustees.
Seconded by Vera Salter and passed unanimously.

REPORTS

Westchester Library System Report

No report was provided at this time as WLS is on August recess.

President's Report

Presented by: Rhiannon Navin, President

President Navin expressed gratitude to Eugenia Schatoff and all board members for the smooth transition as everyone assumed their new roles.

Director's Report

Presented by: Eugenia Schatoff, Executive Director

Community Engagement Events: In July, the library held a special event in the lobby welcoming over 30 nonprofit organizations, local government representatives, school district officials, politicians, and community groups for a visioning breakfast. The event was designed to gather input and facilitate meaningful conversation about the future of NRPL in preparation for renovation planning. The Director expressed gratitude to all community partners who participated in substantive discussions about the library's future.

Community Survey: Director Schatoff encouraged continued community participation in the community survey, a critical tool for gathering data to inform the library's decision-making. The survey is available on NRPL.org in both English and

Spanish, as well as in physical copies. All survey participants are registered for a gift card drawing. Community input is essential, and the Director encouraged all residents to share their perspectives.

Treasurer's Report

No Treasurer's Report was provided at this time. The Board is currently onboarding Nawrocki Smith, LLP. A full Treasurer's Report is anticipated at the August 27, 2026 Zoom board meeting

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Budget and Finance Committee Report

Presented by: Corey Galloway, Chair.

- The Committee welcomed Vera Salter as a new member of the committee and provided an update on the work the committee had previously completed.
- Warrant Approval: Corey Galloway made a motion to approve warrants 202607009 and 202607010. Seconded by Fela Cortés and passed unanimously.

Buildings and Grounds Committee Report

Presented by: Vera Salter, Chair

- The committee met on July 17, 2026. Third Way Space presented recommendations for the future design of the library. A copy of the slide presentation is available upon request.
- The committee discussed the master plan and realization strategy, and scheduled a joint meeting with the Budget and Finance Committee to review the details of that strategy.
- Next Meeting: Friday, August 14, 2026, at which time Lothrop Architects will present the results of their condition study of the building.

Community Engagement Committee Report

Presented by: Fela Cortés, Chair

Committee Participants: Lucille Renwick, Tatiana Infante, Eugenia Schatoff, and Rhiannon Navin

- Meeting Schedule: The committee meets on the second Monday of each month. For the next two months, meetings will be held on Thursdays due to holidays.
- July 15 Community Partner Breakfast: Fela Cortés highlighted the importance and success of the July 15, 2026 community partner breakfast. She thanked the many elected officials and community organizations that participated, and recognized the essential support provided by the Friends of the Library and the Library Foundation.
- Community Input and Survey: The committee is gathering data from focus groups, the community survey, and the community partner breakfast to inform future planning. Results are expected in late September or early October. Fela Cortés emphasized the importance of the community survey, which is available in English and Spanish.
- New Library Logo: The committee expressed excitement about the library's new logo, which was created by library staff and represents the collaborative work and vision of the organization.

Personnel Committee Report

Presented by: Tatiana Infante, Chair

- Committee Priorities: Preparation for the Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA), Staffing improvements and recruitment, Policy improvements for library employees
- Next Meeting: Monday, August 17, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.
- Resolutions Presented:
 - Resolution 2026-08-14 (CBA Management): Tatiana Infante made a motion that Tatiana Infante, Lucille Renwick, and Nancy Weinberger will lead the CBA management for the Board of Trustees. Seconded by Lucille Renwick and passed unanimously.
 - Personnel Consent Agenda: Tatiana Infante made a motion to approve the Personnel Consent Agenda. Seconded by Lucille Renwick and passed unanimously.

Policy Committee Report

Presented by: Lucille Renwick, Chair

- Committee Meeting:
- The committee met on August 3, 2026. In attendance were Lucille Renwick, Fela Cortés, Nancy Weinberger, Eugenia Schatoff, and Rhiannon Navin.
- Calendar of future committee meetings
 - Event Venue Policy (formerly known as Facilities Use Policy)
 - Workplace Violence Policy
- Policies in Development: The committee is working on updates to the Staff Development Policy and the Study Room Policy. The committee hopes to have these revised policies ready for a vote at the September 2026 board meeting.
- Next Meeting: September 14, 2026

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

Rhiannon Navin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 p.m. Seconded by Corey Galloway. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Nancy Weinberger, Secretary

A recording of the meeting can be found on the library's website: www.nrpl.org.