

Minutes, East Hampton Library Board of Managers, August 10, 2026

Attendance: Present: Akkad, Corwin, Collins, Deichert, Druker, Fabiszak, French, Kroeger, Molinari, Parker, Rogers, Ross, Shaw, Schaeffer, Walter, Willett.

Absent: Carey (Zoom), Ferrin, Lipper, Rae, Soriano, Thomas

The meeting was called to order at 12:01 p.m. At 12:02 p.m., a motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to enter Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a contractual/legal issue. At 12:38 p.m. the Board returned to open session.

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved without objection.

The Authors Night Committee reported on an extremely successful event with approximately 2000 who attended the tent reception at Herrick Park and 24 individual dinner parties. The tremendous logistical complexity in organizing an event of this scale, however, was emphasized. A dedicated committee of 13 met every three weeks beginning in February, with the workload intensifying to a daily commitment to ensure its success. The committee included: Ellen Cromack, Jane Friedman, Kerry Lamparter, Maggie ?, Martha Keilly, Patty Kenner, Stephanie Krikorian, Steve Rosen, Celia Paul, Denise Shaw, Amy Schaeffer, Sheila Rogers and Dennis Fabiszak pulling it all together.

Dennis reported on the free Children's Fair, chaired by Stephanie Sharp. It was also highly attended and a terrific event with donations still coming in to date. A third event that will utilize the tent (in partnership with E.H. Village) will feature photographs from the Fritz Leddy collection and commentary by Hugh King.

The Treasurer's Report as of August 24 through July was presented, showing a net operating surplus. The report was accepted. July 2026 Performance:

- Revenue was \$323,141 ahead of budget.
- Expenses were \$102,591 lower than anticipated.
- This resulted in a net operating surplus of \$425,732 for the month.

A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the July warrants.

Dennis gave the Personnel report which included one new hire and one resignation. A motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the personnel changes.

Dennis confirmed that work will begin during the week of Labor Day for the Children's Courtyard refurbishment project. The Budget vote for the Library is scheduled for September 19th.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:07 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for September 18th at 4:00 p.m.

Looks fine to me, Brooke.