

**Cranbury Public Library Board of Trustees**  
**Special Meeting**  
**November 07, 2019 - 7:00 p.m.**  
**Cranbury Public Library**

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT**

The meeting was called to order at 7:04.

Pursuant to provisions of the Open Public Meeting Act, adequate notice of this meeting has been provided by the Public Library as follows: November 4, 2019 notice for this meeting was sent to the Cranbury Press, Home News Tribune, Township Clerk and posted in the Public Library.

**2. INTRODUCTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES –**

Kirstie S. Venanzi, President - present	Ira Negin - present
Andre Mento, Vice-President - present	David Carroll - absent
Dave Fletcher, Treasurer and Secretary - present	Fred Dennehy - absent
Dan Mulligan, Township Committee -- absent	Patty Thomsson - present
Amy Dixon, Chief School Administrator's Representative -- present	

Also to be present:

Marilynn Mullen, Director - present

**3. NEW BUSINESS**

A. New Jersey Library Construction Bond Act

Review of new regulations

B. Review of "Whistleblower Statement" and Report

1) Sequence of Events

Oct 1 – Email received by Jay Taylor, Dan Mulligan, Jean Golisano, Mary Chute and others at the state library from "nancy green"

Oct 8 – Kirstie is sent a copy of the email

Oct 10 – Board of Trustees approve consulting our attorney, Bertram Busch. Busch recommended hiring an independent firm to investigate the complaint

Oct 18 – Partial list from email is published on the website [cranbury.info](http://cranbury.info)

Oct 21 – Attorneys Heather Adelman and Maralee Sanders of Hartmann Doherty Rosa Bermand & Bulbulia, LLC begin their investigation.

Oct 29 – Report is issued to Kirstie

2) A response was drafted to email to State Librarian Mary Chute with copies to Jay and Dan. A follow-up print letter will also be mailed certified mail.

Motion to send letter as revised: Kirstie      Second: Patty      Approved

**4. OPEN DISCUSSION PERIOD and/or PUBLIC COMMENT**

A. Patty suggested the Board prepare a statement in reply to any questions received about the complaint.

"We received a spite complaint. We retained independent counsel who determined the complaint had no merit."

Motion to adopt statement: Patty      Second: Kirstie      Approved

**5. ADJOURNMENT - 7:56**