

Agenda Item #4 (a)

**Library Board of Trustees
Minutes of Meeting
The Julia F. Burnham 3rd Floor Conference Room • Main Library • 200 W. Green Street • Champaign
August 20, 2025**

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by President Blakeman.
2. Members present: Daly Andersson, Katie Blakeman, Charlisa Hart, Michael Foellmer, Michael La Due, Charles Lansford, Rajeev Malik, and Minnie Pearson

Members absent: Chaya Sandler

Library staff present: Brittany Millington, Amy Al-Shabibi, Jill Bouvet, Tricia Duzan, Thea Green, Tricia Duzan, Terry Goode, Jordan Neal, Jennifer Sutton, and Leah Westberry

Visitors present: Natalie Frankenberg
3. Approve the Agenda:
 - MOTION by La Due to approve the agenda as presented; seconded by Malik. All: Aye.
4. Approve the Minutes:
 - a. Regular Meeting Minutes, July 16, 2025
 - MOTION by La Due to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Andersson. All: Aye.
5. Director's Report:
 - Millington shared that Friday night programming is going well with great attendance.
 - Millington noted that in the Directors Report, United Way of Champaign County's Women United, provided a \$4,000 Literacy grant for Mother Goose on the Loose to purchase books and provide programming at our partner locations.

Pearson arrived at 5:34 p.m.

- Millington highlighted the new Pajama Storytime at Douglass Branch held on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. This initiative is being introduced from community feedback during the strategic planning process with requests to provide storytimes outside of the normal workday week.

- a. Fall Program & Event Presentation (Leah Westberry, Marketing Manager):
 - Westberry presented the fall program lineup with an exciting upcoming season of programs.
6. FY26 Revised Adopted Budget:
 - Sutton shared the proposed revised budget changes.
 - MOTION by Malik to approve the FY26 Proposed Revised Budget as presented; seconded by Andersson. All: Aye.
7. FY2024-25 IPLAR (Illinois Public Library Annual Report):
 - MOTION by Lansford to approve the FY2024-25 IPLAR as presented; seconded by Pearson. All: Aye.
8. Financial Reports:
 - a. Approve Check Register for July 2025:
 - MOTION by Malik to file the check register for July 2025 as presented; seconded by Pearson. All: Aye.
 - b. FY2025/26 Financial Statements for July 2025:
 - MOTION by La Due to accept the July 2025 financials as presented; seconded by Malik. All: Aye.
9. Committee and Liaison Reports:
 - a. Champaign Public Library Foundation:
 - Lansford reported that the Foundation approved a campaign brochure regarding the upcoming 150th Anniversary of the Library.
 - b. City Council:
 - Foellmer provided an overview of the council meeting.
 - c. Friends of the Champaign Public Library:
 - There was no meeting this month.
10. Comments from the Audience:
 - There were no comments.

11. Comments from the Board:

- Hart stated she is proud to be part of the Library Board. The updated Friday night hours provide families with various times for storytimes and the opportunity to engage.
- Pearson was extremely proud of the participation for Juneteenth, CU Days, and all the books distributed to the community.
- Blakeman stated that she liked the summer reading goals and incentives.

12. Next Meetings or Events:

- Regular Meeting, September 17, 2025, 5:30 p.m., Douglass Branch Library, 504 E. Grove St., C
- Regular Meeting, October 22, 2025, 5:30 p.m., Burnham 3rd Floor Conf. Room, Main Library
- Regular Meeting, November 19, 2025, 5:30 p.m., Burnham 3rd Floor Conf. Room, Main Library

13. Adjournment:

- MOTION by Malik to adjourn at 6:20 p.m., seconded by Pearson. All: Aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Blakeman, President

Michael La Due, Secretary

Jill Bouvet, Recorder