

Agenda Item #4 (a)

**Library Board of Trustees
Minutes of Meeting**

**The Julia F. Burnham 3rd Floor Conference Room • Main Library • 200 West Green Street • Champaign
October 22, 2025**

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m. by Secretary La Due.
2. Members present: Daly Andersson, Charlisa Hart, Michael Foellmer, Michael La Due, Charles Lansford, Rajeev Malik, and Chaya Sandler

Members absent: Katie Blakeman and Minnie Pearson

Library staff present: Brittany Millington, Iris Ashby, Amy Al-Shabibi, Danotra Brown, Tricia Duzan, Nicole Eveland, Terry Goode, Thea Green, Kristina Hoerner, Rebecca Knaur, Linda Kupfershmid, Sam Lechowicz, Michelle Morrison, Jordan Neal, Michael Rogalla, Heather Sheahan, Ari Sterling, and Jennifer Sutton, Rebecca Knaur, Heather Sheahan, and Linda Wessels

Visitors present: Natalie Frankenburg, Angelo Moreno, Melissa Muckenhirn, Caleb Wilson, Lisa Wilson, Yolanda Woods

3. Approve the Agenda:
 - MOTION by Hart to approve the agenda as presented; seconded by Malik. All: Aye.
4. Approve the Minutes:
 - a. Regular Meeting Minutes, September 17, 2025
 - MOTION by Malik to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Sandler. All: Aye.
5. Director's Report:
 - Millington thanked the Library team and community of nearly 500 people who attended the program with author Shelby Van Pelt.
 - Millington shared updates on The Studio at the Main Library and Makerspace at Douglass, noting attendance and programming has been fantastic.
 - In September, our Business Librarian partnered with the Chamber of Commerce for the First Friday coffee event held in The Studio, which was well attended.

6. Library Board of Trustees Bylaws:
 - MOTION by Andersson to approve the Library Board of Trustees Bylaws as presented; seconded by Lansford. All: Aye.
7. Labor Relations Legal Representation and Resolution:
 - Millington noted that the Resolution will authorize the Library to obtain outside counsel to assist with the next steps in the process .
 - MOTION by Lansford to approve the Resolution as presented; seconded by Malik. All: Aye.
8. 2026 Holiday and Closing Schedule:
 - MOTION by Malik to approve the 2026 Holiday and Closing Schedule as presented; seconded by Hart. All: Aye.
9. Biannual Review of Closed Minutes:
 - La Due recommended that no closed minutes should be released at this time.
 - Roll call vote was obtained.
 - MOTION by Foellmer to retain the confidential closed minutes as discussed; seconded by Lansford. All: Aye.
10. Financial Reports:
 - a. Approve Check Register for September 2025:
 - MOTION by Lansford to file the check register for September 2025 as presented; seconded by Malik. All: Aye.
 - b. FY2025/26 Financial Statements for September 2025:
 - MOTION by Andersson to accept the September 2025 financials as presented; seconded by Hart. All: Aye.
11. Committee and Liaison Reports:
 - a. Champaign Public Library Foundation:
 - Lansford reported that the Foundation started the campaign and it is looking promising for the endowment for the future.
 - b. City Council:
 - Foellmer provided an overview of the council meeting.

c. Friends of the Champaign Public Library:

- La Due reported that the meeting was last week and the Friends now have over 200 members.

12. Comments from the Audience:

- Iris Ashby, Urbana resident, addressed the Board.
- Melissa Muckenhirn, Urbana resident, addressed the Board.
- Lauren Gardiner, Urbana resident, addressed the Board.

13. Comments from the Board:

- Lansford commented that the author event was excellent and well run.
- Foellmer thanked the staff for all the work they do.

14. Next Meetings or Events:

- Regular Meeting, November 19, 2025, 5:30 p.m., Burnham 3rd Floor Conf. Room, Main Library
- December 2025 – No Meeting
- Regular Meeting, January 21, 2026, 5:30 p.m., Burnham 3rd Floor Conf. Room, Main Library

15. Adjournment:

- MOTION by Sandler to adjourn at 6:00 p.m., seconded by Hart. All: Aye.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Blakeman, President

Michael La Due, Secretary

Jill Bouvet, Recorder