

# Bloomington Public Library



## Minutes

**Library Board of Trustees - Regular Session  
Tuesday, January 20, 2026 - 5:30 PM**

### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:34 PM by Board President Catrina Parker.

### 2. Roll Call

**PRESENT:** Board Member Alok Hoonka  
Board Member John Argenziano  
Board Member Sharon Zeck  
Board Member Georgene Chissell  
Board Member Craig McCormick  
Board Member Melissa Libert  
President Catrina Parker

**ABSENT:** Board Member Ashlee Sang  
Board Member Dianne Hollister

**Staff Present:** Nan Goerlitz, Jeanne Hamilton, Kathy Jeakins

### 3. Introduction of Public

There were no members of the public present.

### 4. Library Public Comment

There were no public comments.

### 5. Reports

- A. **President's Report, as requested by the Library Department.** (Recommended Motion: none, presentation only)

President Parker was excited to share that she was cast in this year's Her Story program that will be at the library the last weekend of March.

- B. **Director's Report, as requested by the Library Department.** (Recommended Motion: none, presentation only)

Director Hamilton gave an update on the Strategic Planning process. The consultant will meet with Board members on May 16. The community survey will launch this week, and focus groups and interviews are being scheduled now.

She mentioned that the library has new totes for sale at the Check Out Desk.

- C. **Fiscal Report, as requested by the Library Department.** (Recommended Motion: none, presentation only)

Kathy Jeakins indicated that the report is in the packet and entertained questions.

## 6. **Consent Agenda**

Items listed on the Consent Agenda are approved with one motion; Items pulled from the Consent Agenda are listed and voted on separately.

- A. **Consideration and Action to Approve the Minutes of the December 16, 2025, Regular Bloomington Library Board of Trustees Meeting.** (Recommended Motion: The proposed Minutes be approved.)
- B. **Consideration and Action on the Bloomington Public Library's Bills in the Amount of \$471,640.55., as requested by the Library Department.** (Recommended Motion: Approve the item as presented.)

**Board Member Zeck made a motion, seconded by Board Member Chissell, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.**

**Motion carried (7-0).**

## 7. **Approval Items**

- A. **Consideration and Action on the Bloomington Public Library's Bill(s) from ISU in the Amount of \$591.67., as requested by the Library Department.** (Recommended Motion: Approve the Item as Presented.)

**Board Member Zeck made a motion, seconded by Board Member Hoonka, to approve the Item as presented.**

**Motion carried (6-0-1).**

- B. **Review and Approve Maintaining Confidentiality of Executive Session Minutes, as requested by the Library Department.** (Recommended Motion: Approve Maintaining Confidentiality of Executive Session Minutes.)

**Board Member Argenziano made a motion, seconded by Board Member McCormick, to approve the Item as presented.**

**Motion carried (7-0).**

- C. **Approve Destruction of Executive Session recordings prior to July 2024, as requested by the Library Department.** (Recommended Motion: Approve Item as Presented.)

**Board Member Libert made a motion, seconded by Board Member Zeck, to approve the Item as presented.**

**Motion carried (7-0).**

- D. **Approve a Three-hour Delay in the Library's Opening on May 14, 2026 for Staff Strategic Planning Workshop, as requested by the Library Department.** (Recommended Motion: Approve Opening the Library at 12pm on May 14, 2026.)

**Board Member Zeck made a motion, seconded by Secretary Chissell, to approve the Item as presented.**

**Motion carried (7-0).**

- E. **Waive The Competitive Bid Process And Authorize The Library Director To Renew Property, Liability, Vehicle, Umbrella, Director's And Officer's, And Worker's Compensation Insurance Packages Through The Libraries Of Illinois Risk Agency (LIRA), as requested by the Library Department.** (Recommended Motion: Approve the Item as Presented.)

**Board Member Zeck made a motion, seconded by Board Member Chissell, to approve the Item as presented.**

**Ayes:** Board Member Hoonka, President Parker, Board Member Argenziano, Board Member Zeck, Board Member Chissell, Board Member McCormick, Board Member Libert

**Nays:** none

**Abstain:** none

**Motion carried.**

- F. **Approve Transfer of Funds from the M & O Fund to the Capital Reserve Fund, as requested by the Library Department.** (Recommended Motion: Approve Transfer as Presented.)

**Board Member McCormick made a motion, seconded by Board Member Libert, to approve the Item as presented.**

**Ayes:** Board Member Hoonka, President Parker, Board Member Argenziano, Board Member Zeck, Board Member Chissell, Board Member McCormick, Board Member Libert

**Nays:** none

**Abstain:** none

**Motion carried.**

- G. **Review Library Policies and Approve Revisions, as requested by the Library Department.** (Recommended Motion: Except for the Proposed Revisions to the Bylaws, Approve the Proposed Policy Revisions as Presented.)

**Board Member Chissell made a motion, seconded by Board Member McCormick, to approve the Item as presented.**

**Motion carried (7-0).**

## **8. Comments by Trustees**

Board Member Chissell invited everyone to the fundraiser on January 25th for the Bloomington-Normal Community Land Trust.

## **9. Adjournment**

**Board Member Libert made a motion, seconded by Board Member Argenziano, to adjourn the meeting.**

**Motion carried (7-0).**