

Golden Prairie Public Library District
Board of Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, September 17, 2025
5:00pm

MINUTES

- I. Re-elected and Re-appointed Trustees: Oath of Office
Shelly Purchis took the Oath of Office.
- II. Call to Order
President Russell called the regular meeting to order at 5:00 pm.
- III. Roll Call
Trustees Present: Ruth Novosad, Stephen Peterson (arrived at 5:04 pm), Shelly Purchis, Patti Salch, Kathy Vroman, Stephanie Walden, Jim Russell

Others Present: Ary Anderson, Nan Goerlitz, Jeanne Hamilton, Kathy Jeakins

Absent: none
- IV. Introductions
There were no introductions.
- V. Public Comments
There were no public comments.
- VI. President's Report
There was no report.
- VII. Approval of Minutes
A. August 20, 2025 Regular Meeting
Jim Russell was listed as Vice President instead of President in the Public Hearing section. Tara Braucht was not listed under Others Present. The minutes were approved as corrected.
- VIII. Staff Reports
A. Director's Report: Jeanne shared information on an upcoming webinar from the ILA Noon Network geared towards Trustees. She stated that the Library is partnering with Connect Transit again for Library Card Signup Month throughout September. Riders who show their Library card will ride for free this month. She attended the Normal Public Library ribbon cutting ceremony yesterday, mentioning that it is fortunate to have two great libraries in our community. Final numbers are in for this year's Summer Reading Program, showing an increase of 20.7% over last year's record-breaking numbers. The Prairie on the Patio opening was successful, and the Director encouraged Board members to check out the native plants installed on the patio and the GPPLD sign that has been installed on the patio. The translation device that is dedicated to the Bookmobile and Outreach was used 14 times during the month of August.

B. Outreach Report: This report was combined with the Director's Report.

C. Financial Report: Kathy Jeakins stated that the report was in the packet and entertained questions.

- IX. Unfinished Business
 - A. Discuss/Approve Any Open Marketing Plan Initiatives

Kathy Vroman passed out the new bookmarks that arrived. She was unable to participate in the parades due to a printing delay but is planning on handing these out at trunk or treat events.

- X. New Business
 - A. Discussion of Recognition of Ary Anderson's board service.
Jeanne reviewed the Gift & Remembrance Guidelines from the Policy Manual.

RUTH NOVOSAD MOVED, AND STEPHEN PETERSON SECONDED, TO DONATE \$50 TO THE PURCHASE OF BOOK(S) FOR THE LIBRARY TO INCLUDE A BOOKPLATE WITH ARY'S NAME.

THE MOTION CARRIED 7-0.

- B. Discussion of Per Capita Grant Requirements

Jeanne led a review of 4 sections of the Illinois Public Library Standards.

- XI. Comments from Board Trustees
Shelly thanked the Board for welcoming her. Jim will be attending the ILA Conference during the October Board meeting and will join via Zoom and Stephanie will be leading the meeting.

- XII. Reminder
 - A. Next Board Meeting is October 15, 2025

- XIII. Adjournment
Jim Russell adjourned the meeting at 5:45 pm.