



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of  
The Board of Trustees  
Webster Groves Public Library  
May 21, 2025

The meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Webster Groves Public Library was held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. President Anita Radcliffe presided and Library Director Madison Morris kept the minutes. Also present: Trustees Fred Toelle, Jenine Harris, Leanne Waugh, Janey Worthington and Dana Cooley. Absent: Trustees Lea Ann Coates, Sherry Taylor, Ed Scholl, and City Council Liaison David Franklin.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

**Public Comment**

None

**Minutes of the April 16, 2025 Meeting**

Ms. Waugh moved to approve the minutes. Ms. Cooley seconded. All were in favor. None were opposed and the minutes were approved.

**Correspondence**

None

**President's Report**

None

**Librarian's Report**

Ms. Morris reported that there were several well attended programs held in the last month including the Irish Salon and a House History Program. She also highlighted the Summer Reading ad that was in the May 16<sup>th</sup> issue of the Webster-Kirkwood Times.

**Advanced Planning**

None

**Building and Grounds**

Ms. Waugh stated that the parking lot will be getting re-done at the end of the week.

## **Finance**

Ms. Morris reported that in March the Board had voted to move an additional \$550,000 to the investment account. Unfortunately, it took more time than expected to move the old investment account under the City of Webster Groves to the new Library account. The Library also paid its \$472,297.08 debt payment at the beginning of April.

That being said, only an additional \$38,595.07 was moved to the new Library investment account rather than the \$500,000 that was initially voted on. This enabled the Library to keep its checking account above \$500,000.00.

Ms. Morris also reported that some of the out of the ordinary expenses on the financial report this month were summer reading related.

Ms. Waugh moved to accept the financial report. Mr. Tolle seconded. All were in favor. None were opposed and the motion passed.

## **Human Resources**

Ms. Cooley stated that a HR committee met to talk about the Libraries' vacation policy. She said that more research needed to be done but a new policy would eventually be brought to the Board.

## **Policy**

None

## **Friends Report**

The 50-year celebration of the organization will be on Thursday, September 18th at Eden Seminary. There will be a short program, a silent auction, and refreshments.

## **City Hall**

None

## **Old Business**

### *New Committees*

Ms. Morris reviewed the new committee assignments for the Board.

## **New Business**

### *Summer Reading*

Ms. Morris stated that Summer Reading Program would begin on May 31<sup>st</sup>. She shared the events calendar and the Summer Reading brochure.

### *Budget*

Ms. Morris went through the 25-26 draft budget. She highlighted areas that varied more than usual from the previous years budget. There was discussion about staff raises, e-resource expenses, tax income, and IMLS funding.

It was stated that the financial committee had signed off on the draft in a previous committee meeting.

Ms. Cooley motioned to pass the 25-26 budget. Ms. Worthington seconded. All were in favor. None were opposed and the budget passed.

### **Adjournment**

Ms. Waugh moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Cooley seconded. All were in favor. None were opposed and the meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.