

# **Minutes of the Mississippi Valley Library District Board of Trustees Regular Meeting**

Date: March 16, 2026

Time: 6:30 PM

Place: Collinsville Memorial Public Library

## **1. Call to Order and Roll Call**

President Jeanne Lomax called the meeting to order at 6:31 PM.

Trustees Present:

Jeanne Lomax, President

Ginny York, Secretary

Cathy Kulupka, Trustee

Kathy Murphy, Trustee

Trustees Absent:

Kelly Balaco-Reeder, Vice President

Ian Ashcraft, Treasurer

Ana Romero-Lizana, Trustee

Also Present:

Kyla Waltermire, Executive Director

Matt Harris, Assistant Director

## **2. Pledge of Allegiance**

## **3. Public Input**

- Rachel Dye
- Cynthia Baker
- Michael Treece
- Katerina Engle
- Mariah Taylor

## **4. Friends of the Library Updates**

Waltermire shared a reminder about the Dolly Parton's Imagination Library trivia night to be held the upcoming weekend. She also shared that the recent book sale

was one of the best ones the Friends have had.

## **5. Trustee Comments**

Kulupka provided feedback on A/V challenges of listening to recorded meetings, affirmed the right of the public to provide comments to the Board, and discussed trustee training information.

Murphy commented on required trustee training and wished Kulupka a happy birthday.

## **6. Consent Items**

Kulupka motioned and York seconded to approve the consent items in their entirety.

a. Minutes of the February 17, 2026 Regular Board of Trustees Meeting

b. Communications – One email received from Cindy Klein-Webb.

c. Administrative Reports

Waltermire addressed public comments regarding the process for adding public comments to the meeting packets and the legal training requirements for trustees. Trustees commented on the “618 Illinois Libraries” photography project, activities for America 250, new Library Page Bethany McCullar, the “Voices of 1776” program to be held in June, the online library store designs, and the \$100,000+ saved by a patron who allowed the library to share their “you saved” receipt on social media.

Harris reported that tax help was being utilized and appreciated by patrons and that there were a few appointments still available. Trustees asked about the annual egg hunts.

d. Finances

There was some discussion.

e. Committee Reports – none.

A roll call vote was taken:

Kulupka – yes

Lomax – yes

Murphy – yes

York – yes

Yes – 4, No – 0, Absent – 3, Abstain - 0

Motion carried.

**7. Unfinished Business – none**

**8. New Business**

a. Discussion about MVL D Meeting Spaces

Lomax asked about the policy for groups using rental spaces without renting them, and Waltermire said that the meeting spaces were open for public use when not utilized for library programs or private rentals. The meeting spaces policy is being reviewed by the library’s attorney.

b. Review of the Illinois Public Standards, Building and Grounds

**9. Closed Session – none.**

**10. Action for Items Discussed in Closed Session – none.**

**11. Adjournment**

Kulupka made a motion, seconded by Murphy, to adjourn.

A roll call vote was taken:

Kulupka – yes

Lomax – yes

Murphy – yes

York – yes

Yes – 4, No – 0, Absent – 3, Abstain - 0

Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.