

ALPHA PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2026

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Alpha Park Public Library District Board of Trustees call to order at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 17, 2026 in Meeting Room #1, President Adams presiding.

Members Present: Kris Adams, Kim Strack, Tom Stag, Joanna Freimuth, Kim Martin, and Scott Archer

Members Absent: Al Schneider

Staff Present: Amy Harris, Aliesha Sullivan

Public Present: None

2. PUBLIC/AUDIENCE COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

3. FORMATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF CONSENT AGENDA

A consent agenda was presented to include #4 (Minutes) and #5 (Financial Reports and Expenses) by President Adams.

Trustee Martin made a motion to accept the consent agenda and seconded by Trustee Freimuth.

This passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

4. MINUTES

*RESOLVED*, THAT THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 20, 2026, REGULAR MEETINGS BE ADOPTED AS PRESENTED.

The motion passed in the consent agenda.

5. FINANCIAL REPORTS

*RESOLVED*, THAT THE FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR JANUARY 2026 BE SUBMITTED FOR REVIEW.

*RESOLVED*, THAT THE EXPENSES FOR JANUARY, FOR \$165,165 BE ACCEPTED.

The motion passed in the consent agenda.

6. PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Welcome to the February 2026 Alpha Park Public Library Board of Trustees meeting. Tonight, we continue to review trustee responsibilities. Our focus will be intellectual freedom as well as safety. Questions from all trustees are both welcomed and encouraged.

Tonight, we also start the process of one of our most important yearly tasks, the Library Director evaluation. In our meeting, we will form the evaluation committee and discuss updates to the evaluation instruments.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Finance Committee

The Meeting was called to order at 3:02

The discussion of the Financial Reports was about the Imprest Checking Account and the need. The Maintenance expenditure was noted that it was close to the budget maximum. Will look at that line item in the new budget.

Meeting adjourned at 3:14 p.m.

B. Building, Grounds, and Safety Committee

No meeting held.

C. Marketing Committee

The Meeting was called to order at 2:01pm

Discussed the printing of the program guide and its upcoming disbursement, went over the newsletter numbers, and discussed an upcoming marketing campaign to garner more interest for our Friends group.

We also discussed the newspaper advertisements we will be placing for the Alzheimer's Care Group and for Senior Coffee.

Meeting adjourned at 2:16pm

8. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Agenda Items:

- Staff and Volunteers
- Continuing Education
- Collections and Materials
- Programming and Outreach
- Other

9. COMMENDATIONS

Director Harris commended the management team, Aliasha, Haley, and Beth, for their teamwork and handling things while on leave.

10. LEGISLATIVE NEWS

None

11. COMMUNICATIONS

The Cabin Quilters group sent an email thanking us for a positive meeting room relationship.

12. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Trustee Reading Discussion

Highlights from Chapter 6 discussed.

13. NEW BUSINESS

A. Library Director Evaluation Committee

President Adams asked for volunteers to join the Director Review Committee. The members of the Director Review Committee include the following: President Adams, Trustee Stagg and Trustee Freimuth

B. Updated Library Director Evaluation Forms

Trustee Stagg made a motion to accept the updated Library Director Evaluation Forms, seconded by Trustee Strack. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

14. PUBLIC/AUDIENCE COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

15. CLOSED SESSION, PER 5 ILCS (OPEN MEETINGS ACT) 120/2 (c) (2)

16. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

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President, Kris Adams

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Secretary, Joanna Freimuth

*Next regular meeting: Monday, March 16, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.*