

ALPHA PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, MAY 18, 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.

Monday, May 18, 2026 in Meeting Room #1, President Adams presiding.

Members Present: Kris Adams, Tom Stagg, Kim Strack, Joanna Freimuth, Kim Martin, Al Schneider (left at 7:41 p.m.), and Scott Archer

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Amy Harris

Public Present: None

2. PUBLIC/AUDIENCE COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

None

3. FORMATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF CONSENT AGENDA

A consent agenda was presented to include #4 (Minutes of the April 2020 Meeting), #6 (Financial Reports and Expenses), #14A (FY26/27 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Dates Ordinance NO. 26-1), #14B (Prevailing Wage Ordinance No 26-2), #14C (Maintenance Tax Ordinance No 26-3), #14D (2027 Closed Holidays), #14E (FY26/27 Director Goals), #14G (Trustee Committee Regular Meeting Dates), #14H (Non-Resident Cardholder Program) by President Adams.

Trustee Stagg made a motion to accept the consent agenda and seconded by Trustee Martin. This passed by a unanimous roll call vote.

4. MINUTES OF THE APRIL 2026 MEETING

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

The motion passed in the consent agenda.

5. REVISED MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 2026 MEETING

RESOLVED, THAT THE REVISED MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 17, 2026, REGULAR MEETINGS BE AMENDED AS CORRECTED.

Trustee Schneider made a motion to accept the revised minutes as corrected and seconded by Trustee Strack. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

6. FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

RESOLVED, THAT THE EXPENSES FOR APRIL 2026, FOR \$149,552 BE ACCEPTED.

The motion passed in the consent agenda.

7. PRESIDENT’S COMMENTS

Welcome to the April 2026 Alpha Park Public Library Board of Trustees meeting. Tonight the Board will focus on Human Resources, particularly how it pertains to the Director, and on the district’s responsibility as a member of a Resource Sharing System. It is apt that human resources is a topic for discussion tonight as we will also complete our yearly responsibility of evaluating the library district’s director.

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Finance Committee

There was discussion on the proposed FY26/27 Budget. The April Financial Information was reviewed and found to be in order.

B. Building, Grounds, and Safety Committee The committee reviewed the completed septic cleanout, fire alarm inspection, and small updates regarding the security grant. The elevator inspection had been scheduled (and is now complete), and Director Harris is in communication with the landscaping crew for the maintenance of reseeding the back lawn, root removal, and maintenance for Meeting Room 1’s exterior drainage.

C. Marketing Committee There was discussion over the numbers for the program guide, eNewsletter, Summer Reading, and Outreach events. The new Friends Membership Campaign will include flyers and social media postings. Ideas discussed included pulling in other library friends groups to share ideas, having a table at Summer Reading kick off, and having shirts for the Friends to wear. Also discussed were potential fundraising events such as a fun run, color run, and goat/kitten yoga.

9. DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Agenda Items:

- Continuing Education & Meeting
- Collection & Materials
- Programming & Outreach
- Other

10. COMMENDATIONS

Trustee Stagg was congratulated on the completion of his Master’s Degree in Library and Information Sciences from Chicago State University.

11. LEGISLATIVE NEWS

None

12. COMMUNICATIONS

None

13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Trustee Reading Discussion

Highlights from Chapter 9 discussed.

14. NEW BUSINESS

A. FY 26/27 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Dates Ordinance No. 26-1
The motion passed in the consent agenda.

B. Prevailing Wage Ordinance No 26-2.
The motion passed in the consent agenda.

C. Maintenance Tax Ordinance No 26-3
The motion passed in the consent agenda.

D. 2027 Closed Holidays
The motion passed in the consent agenda.

E. FY 26/27 Director Goals
The motion passed in the consent agenda

F. FY 26/27 Budget
Trustee Martin made a motion to accept the FY 26/27 Budget as presented, seconded by Trustee Stagg. The motion passed by 6-0 roll call vote.

G. Trustee Committee Regular Meeting Dates
The motion passed in the consent agenda.

H. Resolution for the Non-Resident Cardholder Program
RESOLVED, THAT THE ALPHA PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY PARTICIPATE IN THE NONRESIDENT CARDHOLDER PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2025-2026, USING THE GENERAL MATHMEMATICAL FORMULA TO CALCULATE AN ANNUAL FEE OF \$189.08.

The motion passed in the consent agenda

15. PUBLIC/AUDIENCE COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

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

There was no closed session.

17. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

President, Kris Adams

Secretary, Joanna Freimuth

*Next regular meeting: **Monday, June 15, 2026 at 7:00 p.m.***