

BARRINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

January 12, 2026, 7 PM

Meeting Room A

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Carr called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

II. ROLL CALL

Trustees Present: Carr, Cunningham, Forsyth-Tuerck, Lucas, McCarthy, Ordway, Prigge

Trustees Absent: None

A quorum is present.

Staff Present: Deputy Director J. Katsion, K. McBride, T. Nielsen, L. Rosenthal, L. Stordahl

Guests in attendance: L. Davis

III. AUDIENCE RECOGNITION AND PUBLIC COMMENT

No one wished to address the Board.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by President Carr to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of December 8, 2025, as presented.

Second: Trustee McCarthy

Ayes: Carr, Cunningham, Forsyth-Tuerck, Lucas, McCarthy, Ordway, Prigge

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Motion: **CARRIED.**

The Board held the semi-annual review of the Executive Session Minutes. A motion was made by President Carr to authorize the destruction of the audio recording from the Personnel Committee closed session meeting held on 6/10/2024 in accordance with 5 ILCS 120/2.06(c), as the recording is over 18 months old and has been approved and released.

Second: Treasurer Prigge

Ayes: Carr, Cunningham, Forsyth-Tuerck, Lucas, McCarthy, Prigge

Nays: Ordway

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Motion: **CARRIED.**

V. MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS/BUSINESS

President

President Carr reported that the Tinkham Family Foundation made a \$10,000 donation to the library at the end of December. The Board expressed its appreciation for this generous contribution.

Treasurer

The December Treasurer's Report was reviewed. The beginning balance was \$12,411,833.49. Revenue received totaled \$1,800,058.60, while expenditures amounted to \$713,054.50 resulting in an ending balance of \$13,498,837.59.

Finance Manager, Lauren Rosenthal, noted that two late tax disbursements were received from Cook County in December.

President Carr moved to approve the Financial Report and Bills for Payment as presented.
Second: Trustee Forsyth-Tuerck

Ayes: Carr, Cunningham, Forsyth-Tuerck, Lucas, McCarthy, Ordway, Prigge
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None
Motion: CARRIED.

Executive Director

Deputy Director Katsion highlighted a few items from Director Pinshower's monthly report. He noted that the library's old van was sold to McHenry Public Library District, which will allow them to begin some new initiatives and outreach.

Programs of note in December included the following:

- Capstone Café – 845 students
- Paw Patrol Story Time – 73 participants.
- Winter Reading Program – 34% increase in registrations over last year.

Deputy Director Katsion introduced Ms. Karen McBride, the Library's Public Information Manager, who presented the Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Annual Report. Links to the Annual Report will be shared with the public in the coming days.

VI. REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

VII. OLD BUSINESS

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Discussion regarding recording and posting of Board Meetings.

The Board continued its discussion regarding the recording and posting of Board meetings. Tom Nielsen, the Library's IT Manager, reported that the Library has the necessary equipment and resources to do so. He recommended using the Vimeo platform for ad-free viewing and having an IT staff member present at the meetings to assist with troubleshooting as needed. A few details still need to be worked out and discussed including a timeline of how long it will take before the recordings are posted and how long they should remain on the Vimeo platform. Director Pinshower will provide an update to the Board at the February 9th meeting with a generalized procedure for moving forward.

IX. GENERAL INFORMATION

Topics included ILA Spring Webinars, an informal review of sustainability options for the building, the new library standards, and the upcoming deadline for the Lake County Statement of Economic Interests.

X. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by President Carr to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 P.M.

Second: Ordway

All voted aye. Motion Carried.

/s/ Anne Ordway

Secretary