



Canton Public Library Board of Trustees General Meeting Minutes

May 21, 2026 – 7:00 PM

The Chairperson, J. Lee, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Present: H. Abdu, N. Eggenberger, A. Iqbal, J. Lee, A. Wahby, A. Watts

Absent: None

Also Present: S. Bewick, E. Davis

CALL TO AUDIENCE

Present: K. Bounds, N. Britt, L. Golden, M. Hathaway, D. McHugh, M. Neuwirth-Gray, M. Nicholson, C. Swanberg, E. Wagner

No comments

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda, as amended, was approved by unanimous consent.

APPROVAL OF GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

The minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

COMMUNICATIONS

None

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The library was one-third through the fiscal year as of April 30. Davis reported that revenues are trending as projected. Expenses exceeding 33% of budgeted amounts are anticipated and include prepaid insurances, travel expenses related to the PLA conference in April, and Professional & Contractual costs.

Business Services Department Head Marian Nicholson and HR Specialist Sean Bewick met with Kapnick regarding the 2026-27 insurance plan renewal. S. Bewick will distribute the pricing comparisons when they become available to provide additional time for review prior to the June meeting.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

NEW BUSINESS

62 Days of Summer program presentation – Engagement & Design Department Head Laurie Golden, Librarian Michelle Neuwirth-Gray and Page II Ellen Wagner presented an overview of this year’s summer program.

Library study booths discussion – The board discussed possibly updating the study booths in the Children’s Library ahead of the current replacement schedule. M. Nicholson confirmed the booths are scheduled for donation or disposal before the end of the year. J. Lee expressed concerns about the condition and safety of the booths and indicated support for replacing or reupholstering them before the start of summer. A. Watts reported that, according to her research, there is not a comparable vinyl replacement material readily available due to supply chain issues. The board consensus was to adhere to the current replacement schedule. Davis will relay any future patron communications regarding the booths at upcoming meetings.

CALL TO AUDIENCE

No comments

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 PM.

Amy Watts, Secretary-Treasurer