

# ROCKFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 23, 2026

Boardroom, Main Library

215 N. Wyman St.

Meeting Minutes

A quorum being present, President Jamie Getchius called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Members present: Jamie Getchius, Michael Laskonis, Paul Logli, Molly Brauns, Dennis Horton  
Members Absent: Cesar Sanchez, Henrietta Dotson-Williams, Janet Moore and Colleen O'Brien  
Others present: Board Attorney Eileen Caver  
Staff present: Anthony Cortez, Bridget Finn, Andrew Fischer, Noel Devine, Dajana Glisic, Mary Pat Muzzarelli

## Public Speakers

Emily Porter-Co Founder of LIRE, an advocacy group for library, inclusivity, rights, and empowerment, came to thank the Board for their service and to personally invite them to the RPL event, a film screening of The Librarians, on April 16 at the RPL Nordlof Center. The movie is a documentary about librarians and their role protecting intellectual freedom.

## Minutes

Minutes of the previous meeting were presented to the Board. Hearing no objections from the Trustees, the minutes were approved.

## Financial Report

- 1. Monthly Financial Statements:** Director of Finance Dajana Glisic presented Financial Statements to the Board for the month ending February 2026. Discussion followed. The Financial Statements were accepted subject to audit.
- 2. Board Member Reports-** President Getchius shared news of the AOHS graduation ceremony scheduled for June 10, 2026. He encouraged the Board to attend.
- 3. Rockford Public Library Foundation Liaison Report-** No Report.

## 4. Committees

### 1. Financial Planning and Properties Committee

**a.** Approve RPL Internet and WAN RFP FY 2026 in the amount of \$47,947.10  
Finance Chair Logli introduced the item to the Board for approval and IT Director Andrew Fischer provided additional information. By Unanimous Roll Call Vote, the item was approved.

**b.** Approve RPL SDWAN Equipment FY 2026 in the amount of \$157,201.01 [action]:  
Finance Chair Logli introduced the item to the Board for approval and IT Director Andrew Fischer provided additional information. By Unanimous Roll Call Vote, the item was approved.

**c.** Approve RPL Wireless Access Points FY 2026 in the amount of \$2,515.79. [action]:  
Finance Chair Logli introduced the item to the Board for approval and IT Director Andrew Fischer provided additional information. By Unanimous Roll Call Vote, the item was approved.

**d.** Approve Montague Roof Repair [action]: Finance Chair Logli introduced the item to the Board for approval with the amount not to exceed \$60K. By Unanimous Roll Call Vote, the item was approved.

e. Approve Artist in Residency Contract [action]: Finance Chair Logli introduced the item to the Board for approval. By Unanimous Roll Call Vote, the item was approved.

**2. Policies and Services Committee**

a. Approve Gift Deed Form [action]: Vice President Molly Brauns introduced the policy for approval-the only change was the address. By unanimous Voice Vote, the changes to the policy were approved.

b. Approve Changes to Policy 7.9.1 social media [action]: Vice President Brauns introduced the policy for approval. Discussion followed. By unanimous Voice Vote the policy changes were approved.

**4. Staff Reports-** Executive Director Cortez encouraged the Board to read the staff reports. Strategic Planning is on hold. ADA compliance is ongoing. The Mobile Library fleet has outgrown their Montague location and additional space is needed. Discussion followed. No action was taken

**5. Unfinished Business- None**

**6. New Business- None**

With no further business before the Board, President Getchius called for a motion to adjourn at 6:35p.m. A motion was made by Dennis Horton and seconded by Paul Logli.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for Monday, April 27, 2026, at 6 p.m. in the Boardroom, Rockford Public Library Main Branch

Mary Pat Muzzarelli  
Recorder