



## **MINUTES**

Board of Trustees Meeting  
3395 Black Road Joliet, IL.  
June 18, 2026, 6:00PM

### **1. Convene and Call to Order**

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Joliet Public Library was held on June 18, 2026. The meeting started at 6:00 PM with President Lynn Samalea presiding.

### **2. Pledge of Allegiance**

Dana Kutsie led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **3. Roll Call of Trustees**

Trustees present: Markley, Moffett, Samalea, Gulas, Gawlik, Bottomley.

Trustees absent: Rohder-Tonelli, Henricksen, Harris

Staff members present: Megan Millen, Jim Deiters, Linda Ling, Janet Hosey and Dana Kutsie

### **4. Agenda Revision and Approval**

Markley moved and Gawlik seconded to approve the agenda.

The motion carried unanimously via voice vote

### **5. Minutes Review, Revision, and Approval**

Trustee Board Meeting Minutes – May 21, 2026

**MOTION:** Gawlik moved and Harris seconded to approve the minutes from April 16, 2026. The motion passed unanimously with trustees voting “aye” Markley, Moffett, Samalea, Gulas, Gawlik, Bottomley

## **6. Treasurer's Report**

**MOTION:** Bottomley moved and Markley seconded to accept and authorize for payment Accounts Payable for June 18th, 2026 in the amount of **\$478,721.23** Checks Written Since Last Board Meeting on May 21, 2026 - **\$44,477.53** and the Electronic Payroll Transfers on **6/5/2026** - \$146,458.89

**Total Accounts Payable \$669,657.65**

The motion passed unanimously with the following Trustees voting "aye": Markley, Moffett, Samalea, Gulas, Gawlik, Bottomley

**MOTION:** Bottomley moved and Gawlik seconded to accept and file for audit the 5/30/2026 Balance Sheet, the Report of Accounts, Cash Drawers. The motion passed unanimously with the following trustees voting "aye" Markley, Moffett, Samalea, Gulas, Gawlik, Bottomley

## **7. Public Participation on Action Items – None.**

## **8. Executive Director Report – Megan Millen**

A complete Report was included in the Board Packet. Following are some of the highlights of her report:

Project Black Road is projected to finish approximately \$590,000 under budget and the Jim Szczepaniak Fund was not utilized. Potential future uses of the fund were discussed.

The Director announced the hiring of Janet Hosey as Communications Manager.

The 15<sup>th</sup> annual Star Wars Day event was successfully held in downtown Joliet with strong community participation.

## **9. Deputy Director Report – Jim Deiters**

A complete Report was included in the Board Packet. Following are some of the highlights of his report:

Deputy Deiters provided an update on the Digital Media Studio Manager search, noting that 120 applications were received and interviews are underway.

JPL will host PinCon on August 7, bringing together staff from all six Pinnacle libraries for professional development sessions in downtown Joliet.

**10. Unfinished Business – None.**

**11. New Business –**

**ACTION ITEMS-**

**12. Public Participation - None.**

**13. Staff Reports –**

A full report from department managers was included in the Board Packet.

**14. Announcements**

Executive Director Millen announced her plans to retire effective January 1, 2027.

**15. Adjournment**

**MOTION:** Gawlik moved and Markley seconded to adjourn the meeting at 6:30PM. The motion carried unanimously via voice vote.

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Secretary, Kelly Rohder-Tonelli

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Date