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Library Board Meeting

PROPOSED MINUTES

October 15, 2026 | 6:00 PM

Board Meeting

1. Call to order

Meeting called to order by Kelly Farrah at 6:02 p.m.

2. Roll call

Meghan Evoy, Kelly Farrah, Erin Hooper, Jonathan Ross, Brianna Foraker, Kevin Yezbick.
Director Drew Macaulay and Head of Access Services/Recording Secretary Melissa Moore also present.
Denise Coté was absent with notice.

3. Action Required: Approval of agenda

A MOTION BY Evoy and seconded by Foraker to approve the agenda; passed unanimously.

4. Public comment – Total time not to exceed 30 minutes, 3 minutes per speaker

Farrah requested public comment. No public commenters.

5. Action Required: Minutes: Approve September 17, 2026, Regular Board Meeting Minutes

A MOTION BY Hooper and seconded by Evoy to approve the September 17, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes as presented; passed unanimously.

6. Library of Michigan Foundation 2026 Citation of Excellence Award

Farrah reported FADL earned the Citation of Excellence award in 2026 for MLA. Submission by Jeff Milo.
Drew discussed how the award was chosen. \$1,000 award given at awards ceremony Oct 28th.

7. Director's report: Drew Macaulay, Director

Macaulay reported on the Banned Together Book Festival in partnership with Love and Other Books that took place last weekend. Librarians Emma Clemons and Damon Verdema recognition for running the program desk, Jeff Milo for coordinating with external resources.

Reported on HVAC and plumbing work.

Reported on staff award. Kerrie Patterson, Technical Services Specialist, won 2026 MLA Support Staff of the Year Award. Drew discussed Kerrie's outstanding work and leadership with FADL. Congratulations from Farrah, Hooper, and Foraker.

Drew out of office from: Oct 23rd through Oct 26th and at MLA conference on Oct 27th and 28th. Kricket available for admin needs.

Banking transfer from Comerica to Fifth Third has been completed.

8. Action Required: Acceptance of expenditures and finance reports for the month of August 2026:

Correction: reports are for September

A MOTION BY Evoy and seconded by Yezbick to approve the finance reports for September 2026; Approved unanimously

9. Review of Board Bylaws, Policies and Procedures

The board discussed setting up a task force to review b bylaws and policy to bring to the board for a future vote with a goal of having the bylaws ready for a vote in January 2027. Denise will work with Farrah on an ad hoc committee/task force. Foraker volunteered for the task force. Comment by Evoy, Hooper, Farrah, Foraker, with input from Macaulay

10. Board Calendar of Events

In supporting documents

Hooper: question about director review procedure and timing.

11. Committee reports:

- A. Art & Exhibitions** – Brianna: report in supporting documents
- B. Building** - Jonathan: did not meet since last meeting: report in supporting documents
- C. Finance** – Kevin: met Oct 14th; report in supporting documents
- D. Friends of the FPL** – Kelly: report in supporting documents
- E. Personnel** – Erin: met on Oct 13th; report in supporting documents, discussion on posting the facilities manager position
- F. Schools** – Meghan: report in supporting documents
- G. Strategic Plan** - Brianna: Meeting every other month; report in supporting documents

12. Action Required: Committee Appointments

No appointments made.

13. Review action items

Add ad hoc committee for review and update of Board Bylaws and Library Policies

Request for feedback on Director review process

14. Announcements/comments from board members

Evoy: Recognize Kerrie for award; encouraging people to vote

Ross: meet and greet coming up. Corner shop 2-4 meet board candidates this coming Sat

Yezbick: congrats to staff for citation and Kerrie, kudos for the school outreach newsletter and the coffee shop outreach

Farrah: congrats to the library and Kerrie

15. Adjourn

A MOTION by Foraker and seconded by Ross to adjourn at 7:06 p.m.; motion passed unanimously.

NEXT MEETING: November 19, 2026

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