Algonquin Area Public Library District Board of Trustees Meeting
2600 Harnish Drive, Algonquin, Illinois
August 26, 2026
7:00 pm
Board Meeting

Call to Order
President Taylor called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 7:11 pm following the adjournment of the Budget & Appropriation Hearing.

Roll Call
In attendance: Trustee Jamison, Vice President Johnson, Secretary Sharkey, and President Taylor
Absent: Trustee Becker, Trustee Medrano-Sanchez, and Treasurer Pelke
Staff present: Executive Director Murray, Assistant Director-Operations Husak, Managers Henry Sadowski, Anne Kunzen, and Sam Chiappone and Coordinator Doug Cataldo.

Audience to Visitors
There were no visitors.

Consent Agenda
a) Approval of the July 29, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes
b) Approval of July 2026 Financial Statements

Secretary Sharkey moved to approve the consent agenda as presented and Vice President Johnson seconded. The motion passed unanimously with a voice vote.

Approval of August 2026 Disbursements
Vice President Johnson moved to approve the disbursements in the amount of $174,143.73 as presented and Trustee Jamison seconded. The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Jamison, Johnson, Sharkey, Taylor
Nays: None
Absent: Becker, Medrano-Sanchez, Pelke
Abstain: None

Adoption of Ordinance No. 2026-2027-101, A Combined Annual Budget and Appropriations Ordinance for Library Purposes for FY 2026-2027
Trustee Johnson moved to approve the Ordinance as amended to reflect 101 and Vice President Jamison seconded. The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Jamison, Johnson, Sharkey, Taylor
Nays: None
Absent: Becker, Medrano-Sanchez, Pelke
Abstain: None

Approval of Certified Estimate of Anticipated Revenue by Source
Vice President Johnson moved to approve the Certified Estimate and Trustee Jamison seconded. The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Jamison, Johnson, Sharkey, Taylor
Nays: None
Absent: Becker, Medrano-Sanchez, Pelke
Abstain: None

Adoption of Ordinance No. 2026-2027-102, An Ordinance Determining to Levy for FY 2026-2027 an Additional Tax of up to .02% of Equalized or Assessed Value of Taxable Property for Particular Building and Equipment Purposes in Accordance with 75 ILCS 16/35-5(b)

Vice President Johnson moved to approve the Ordinance and Secretary Sharkey seconded. The motion passed with a roll call vote as follows:

Ayes: Jamison, Johnson, Sharkey, Taylor
Nays: None
Absent: Becker, Medrano-Sanchez, Pelke
Abstain: None

Committee Reports

- The Policy Committee is not expected to meet until January 2027.
- The Facilities Committee plans to meet again soon. The Landscaping Project kickoff meeting was on August 25, and work is expected to begin with tree removal.
- The Budget & Personnel Committee will likely meet in October to discuss the levy and associated options.

Staff Reports

The landscaping project begins next Monday August 31. A running spreadsheet will be created to track change orders. HB5236, the eBook bill, is still in Senate legal review. We are hopeful the house bill will reach the Senate for a vote in the veto session. ILA's current Director will be resigning on August 31, and two interim co-directors will lead until a replacement is found. The 2026 Summer Reading Program numbers hit a new high with over 4,000 registrations! The completion rate was 68%, which is also one of the highest completion rates we have seen. Vice President Johnson appreciated Dana's conference report, highlighting that creativity grows when boundaries are in place.

Trustee Reports

- Vice President Johnson has a new interest in fairy tales, and the library has a great selection of books.
- Secretary Sharkey is enjoying her new empty nest status.
- Trustee Jamison is interested in the suggestion of the double hand railing to accommodate children on the stairs.
- President Taylor enjoyed National Night Out in Algonquin and the Crystal Lake Brewery romance book event. It's great to see so many library users outside the library!

Correspondence

Two notes were received from the Library's attorney about new legislative requirements. The library has added the notice for 9-8-8 National Suicide Prevention Lifeline in additional places to meet the requirements. Suggestion box comments from June and July were discussed.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by President Taylor at 7:43 pm by declaration.

APPROVED: _____
Lindsay Taylor, President

ATTEST: _____
Tracy Sharkey, Secretary