Franklin Public Library
Library Board Meeting
August 24, 2026
Approved: September 28, 2026

ATTENDANCE:

Name	Attended	Name	Attended	Name	Attended
Maria Imp ***President***	X	Michael Karolewicz ***Secretary***	X	Alan Aleksandrowicz ***Treasurer***	X
Annie Vitas-Oklobdzija ***Vice-President***	Excused	Kelly Walker	X	Christopher Doll	X
Lauren Rosso	X	Amanda Pound **School** ***District Representative***	Excused	Ald. Yousef Hasan ***Aldermanic Representative***	X

Also Attended: Jennifer Loeffel, Library Director

Call to Order: President M. Imp called the Franklin Public Library Board meeting to order and performed roll call at 6:00p.m.

Visitors: Christina Lucchesi, new Franklin City Attorney. Christina shared that her time has been focused on starting many new projects and building relationships with City departments. She is developing tools to help manage her work in support of department initiatives.

Public Comment: None

Approval of the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of the Library Board of Trustees, July 27, 2026: L. Rosso motioned to approve the minutes; seconded by M. Karolewicz. K. Walker abstained. Motion passed.

Finance Committee:

Approval of Vouchers and Invoices for Funds 15 and 16 -

Fund 15 - Motion to approve invoices in the amount of $14,078.72 by Y. Hasan; seconded by M. Imp. Motion passed.

Fund 16 - Motion to approve invoices in the amount of $2,150.49 by Y. Hasan; seconded by M. Imp. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report- A. Aleksandrowicz

The June report represents 58.08% of the year.

FUND 15
Total Revenue for Fund 15 is 99.71% of the budget. Total expenditures are 56.00% of the budget.
FUND 16
Total Revenue is 64.06% of the budget. Total expenditures are 54.18% of the budget.

Cash Register Report was perfect as expected.

New Business:

a. **Discussion and Action Regarding Children's Area Redesign Project:** The Library Board reviewed options from Library Furniture International and Demco. M. Imp moved to approve Demco's proposal to move forward; seconded by M. Karolewicz. Motion carried.
b. **Discussion Regarding Strategic Plan Ad Hoc Committee:** M. Imp proposed that goals for the annual January retreat be identified. The Strategic Plan Ad Hoc Committee will meet to identify goals.

Old Business:

a. **Policy Review: Virtual Reality Center Policy:** L. Rosso moved to approve the revised policy; seconded by A. Aleksandrowicz. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Update on Past or Upcoming Council Actions Relating to the Library: None.

Update on Franklin Public Schools Matters Relating to the Library: None.

Report of the President: M. Imp attended the August 12 City Finance Committee meeting.

Report of the Library Director:

a. **Monthly Activity of Library Director & Library:** Increasing summer program attendance continues to justify an intern in 2027. Trunk-or-Treat planning is underway. A library table was staffed at the Umbrella Bar with another date planned for September as outreach efforts. J. Loeffel will visit the Beloit Public Library to assess the shelving and end panel quality.

b. **FPL @ a Glance Statistics Report:** Gate count and circulation both up over last year for the month.

Report of the Franklin Public Library Foundation: Twenty-one tickets have been purchased for the September 24 Jane Hamilton author event. Fundraising for the Children's Area Redesign can begin once a vendor is selected.

Upcoming Meetings:

a. Strategic Plan Committee: TBD
b. Personnel Committee Meeting: TBD
c. Regular Library Board of Trustees Meeting: Monday, September 28, 2026 at 6pm in Sievert Conference Room.

Adjourn: M. Karolewicz made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30pm. A. Aleksandrowicz seconded. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted, Michael Karolewicz, Library Board Secretary