

June 19, 2025

EAST ALTON PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

CALL TO ORDER

Margaret Funke called the regular meeting of the East Alton Public Library District Board of Trustees to order at 5:45 PM. Those in attendance were J. Richie, J. Bricker, and L. Timmins. Also present was Jeremy Staicoff, Director. 4 present, 3 absent. Quorum established.

CORRECTIONS

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: Timmins

Second: Richie

Approve May 2025 Board Minutes

Roll call vote: Funke, aye; Richie, aye; Bricker, aye; Timmins, aye. 4 ayes, 0 nays, 3 absent.

Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

NOTES

A. Davidson arrived at 5:52 PM.

FINANCE REPORT

Motion: Bricker

Second: Timmins

Approve Expenditures & Wages for May 2025

Roll call vote: Funke, aye; Richie, aye; Bricker, aye; Timmins, aye; Davidson, aye. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent.

Motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director's Report

1. The wooden shingle roof was replaced with one that is architectural shingles. There is still a small area where the ridge cap needs completed. Otherwise the work is done.
2. Sent legal notices to The Telegraph for publication.
3. After looking at possible additions to library services, our library will be adding Kanopy on July 1. Kanopy is a service

through OverDrive that offers patrons the ability to stream a set number of movies/shows/etc. per month from their own television or devices.

4. Had a meeting (w/Devin) with members from EA Park & Rec about summer programming. We are working with each other on the marketing of our events and I will be available to assist with their programs if needed. We will meet again early in 2026 to go over the possibility of a legitimately merged summer program.
5. Our Summer Reading Program has begun! Kickoff was June 7 and we had at least 130 attendees take part in a variety of activities offered including a bounce house, ice cream truck, outdoor activities, indoor games, crafts, Nintendo Switch, and more.
6. A shoutout to the staff for decorating and getting prepared for this year's Summer Reading Program. They all contributed to the decorations in the library and much more to make the events of this summer happen.
7. Due to issues with bicycles in front of our building, we have purchased 5 bike locks for patron use that are kept at the desk. So far they have been pretty popular.
8. Continued working on the combined budget/appropriation ordinance. Changes were made to reflect building repairs/items brought up at previous meeting. Updated copy is included in board packets.

Youth Services Report

1. Lego Club on May 15 had 5 patrons attend and make fantastic designs!
2. Storytime on May 22 had 14 patrons attend! We read two books about turtles and then all the kids made their own turtles for the craft!
3. On May 27, Maui visited! He had 11 visitors who each enjoyed getting to see and read to him!
4. On May 29, Lego Club had 1 patron attend.
5. Jun 5, I assisted the Parks and Rec at their Cowboy Critters program.
6. Our Kickoff Party was on Saturday, Jun 7. Devin and I promoted Summer Reading and handed out reading logs!
7. We handed out 137 ice cream tickets!
8. Jun 9, we had a karaoke party that 4 patrons attended who sang lots and lots of songs!

9. Teen Tiny Painting on Jun 10 had 6 patrons who made game related paintings!
10. On Jun 11, we had indoor games at the library. 9 patrons attended and played multiple games.
11. Jun 12, we made Fortnite shield potion necklaces using slime and mini potion bottles! 18 patrons attended!
12. On June 13, Animal Tales came for a program where they showcased a variety of animals and birds. Over 50 patrons attended!

DISCUSSION

Combined Budget & Appropriation Ordinance Draft

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM.