

February 19, 2026

# 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. Buttry, L. Timmins, A. Davidson, and T. Feezel. Also present was Jeremy Staicoff, Director. 6 present, 1 absent. Quorum established.

## CORRECTIONS

None

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Motion: Buttry**

**Second: Richie**

Approve January 2026 Board Minutes

Roll call vote: Funke, aye; Richie, aye; Buttry, aye; Timmins, aye; Davidson, aye; Feezel, aye. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent.

Motion carried.

## CORRESPONDENCE

None

## NOTES

None

## FINANCE REPORT

**Motion: Timmins**

**Second: Buttry**

Approve Expenditures & Wages for January 2026

Roll call vote: Funke, aye; Richie, aye; Buttry, aye; Timmins, aye; Davidson, aye; Feezel, aye. 6 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent.

Motion carried.

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT

### Director's Report

1. AARP tax services began February 2 and has been going very well. As of this report, we have booked appointments all the way to March 30.
2. Met with Gabby from EA Parks (with Hannah and Chris) for summer programming collaboration. At this time we are looking at a cross-marketing partnership and crossover staff

appearances at a few larger programs (Kick-off party, petting zoo, etc.).

3. Some of our drain pipes are in need of replacement. Adam has been coordinating bids on our behalf to address this issue.
4. The State of IL has accepted our Per Capita Grant application.
5. Attended a webinar on changes to State of IL reporting requirements for libraries.
6. The team has been busy creating golf holes for our upcoming Mini Golf event (Feb. 28). The student workers from Roxana HS are also creating a golf hole for the event.
7. Hannah (maybe Devin too) will be at Eastwood Elementary's annual Lit Night on April 30 on behalf of the Library.
8. Spoke with Haden from IL Senator Harris' office. The library will be hosting office hours for them later this Spring on May 27.

## **Youth Services Report**

1. Teen Dungeons and Dragons on Jan 12 had 4 patrons attend! We fought a yeti and saved a group of mountain guides.
2. Lego Club on Jan 15 had 3 patrons attend. Their creative designs were added to the cabinet by the entrance.
3. On Jan 16, Devin and I attended the Madison County Launch Party for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library that is now available for Madison County.
4. There were 15 patrons for Storytime on Jan 22. We played with colorful scarves, danced, and made mittens with tissue paper and cotton balls.
5. Teen Book Club was on Jan 27. The book for the month was Ready Player One by Ernest Cline. One patron attended.
6. Chris, Jeremy, and I met with Gabby from the East Alton Parks and Rec on Feb 4. We went over the upcoming summer reading programs to share dates/programs and plan out cross marketing for one another.
7. Storytime was on Feb 5. I had 6 patrons attend. We played in bubbles with colorful scarves, danced to music, and read two stories about bears! For the craft, we each made our own bears.
8. Teen Dungeons and Dragons was on Feb 9. 7 patrons attended. We worked together to save a town from a wizard who had abducted a cupid! Most of them have also already asked to sign up for March's session as well!
9. SWAYS meeting was at Mascoutah Library on Feb 11. Three members from Birth to 5 came in and did a presentation on

community programs they have available and resources for Madison County and St. Clair County.

**DISCUSSION**

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:18 PM.