

January 15, 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. Bricker, L. Timmins, and A. Davidson. Also present was Jeremy Staicoff, Director. 5 present, 2 absent. Quorum established.

CORRECTIONS

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: Davidson

Second: Bricker

Approve December 2025 Board Minutes

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

Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

NOTES

T. Feezel arrived at 5:50 PM.

FINANCE REPORT

Motion: Timmins

Second: Davidson

Approve Expenditures & Wages for December 2025

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

Motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director's Report

1. GRP Wegman installed our new parking lot light.
2. Completed our library's Annual Library Certification.
3. Worked on and completed our FY26 Per Capita Grant Application.
4. Currently working with AARP to get tax appointment scheduling set up. Leadership changes at AARP have delayed this compared to prior years.

5. Our library will be able to take part in the Dolly Parton Imagination Library again starting January 16.

Youth Services Report

1. Storytime on Dec 18 was attended by 11 patrons. We danced, played in bubbles, read stories about snowmen, and then each made our own festive snowman for the craft!
2. Grinchmas was on Dec 20. We read How the Grinch Stole Christmas by Dr. Seuss and even had a visit from the Grinch himself where patrons could take photos with him or simply say hi! We also had games, bingo, crafts, and snacks/drinks available. 60 patrons attended!
3. Maui visited on Dec 22. 6 patrons attended. They took turns reading to him and gave him lots of pets!
4. On Dec 23 we showed the 2018 version of the Grinch. 12 patrons attended.
5. Storytime was on Jan 8. We played in bubbles, danced, read stories about snow, and decorated our own snowflakes for the craft! 11 patrons attended!
6. The bulletin board was changed to a winter theme. Patrons can design/color a sweater on a coloring sheet, and we hang them up on the board for them!
7. I've booked two performers for summer reading so far and am continuing to plan ahead so we can have the best summer reading program yet!

DISCUSSION

None

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:13 PM.