



# GLENSIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

March 20, 2025

### I. CALL TO ORDER – 7:06pm

### II. ROLL CALL

Trustees Present: Christine Maes, Mohammed Mortoja (via Zoom), Altha Milnes, Isabelle Baldwin. Also Present: Circulation Services Manager Pam Kamin, Public Services Manager Jill Martorano, Assistant Library Director Ian Peery, Library Director Tom Bartenfelder.

### III. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Trustee Milnes moved and it was seconded by Trustee Barreras that the GPLD Board of Trustees adopts the agenda for March 20, 2025.

Ayes – all present. Nays – none. Motion carried

### IV. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

None

### V. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approve Minutes: Regular Board Meeting, February 20, 2025 (Attachment #1)

B. Approve Annual Authorization: RAILS Library Non-Resident Participation (Attachment #6)

Adopted by consensus with no corrections.

### VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Forthcoming Meetings Calendar (Attachment #2) was presented

B. President's Report

### VII. TREASURER'S REPORT (Attachment #3 and Handouts)

A. Milnes moved and it was seconded by Barreras to accept Bills Approval Report for March 20, 2025 in the amount of \$109,435.27.

Ayes – all present. Nays – none. Motion carried.

### VIII. LIBRARIAN'S REPORT (Attachment #4)

Library Director Bartenfelder –

- Candidate Forum run by Kiwanis of Glendale Heights was a great success with over 100 participants. Given the success of the event, community interest, and Kiwanis' adhering to library policy I would be comfortable running it as a library supported event in the next couple years.
- Working on current fiscal year budget amendments. Preliminary estimates indicate about 50k was saved and about 100k more interest was collected than predicted.
- Dolly Parton's Imagination Library was discussed. This service would provide free books mailed monthly to children between 0-5 years of age in the library service district at the cost of \$1.30/month/child. The board indicated interest and encouraged further investigation.

**Public Services Manager – Jill Martorano**

- The elementary and middle school guest author, Nidhi Chanani, was a huge success in the schools and the 'Meet & Greet' held at the library brought in over 150 people!
- I planned and coordinated with the D41 dual language department and the Glen Ellyn Public Library to offer the 2nd annual Multilingual Family Resource Night. It was a success with free resources from 12 outside organizations as well as great library promotion.
- There were 80 (non-duplicate) people registered for FOL 'Fuzzy Duck' stuffed animal giveaway and the lucky 25 winners have been contacted.
- Plans for Summer Reading and Summer programming are well underway. The first day of Summer Reading is Saturday, June 7th.
- Looking ahead, we are hosting the Early Childhood Resource Fair this coming Saturday.
- We are having our 8th annual STEAM Fest on Saturday, April 5th featuring the Illinois Aviation Academy, who train through the Dupage Airport, coming with an interactive flight simulator

**Circulation Services Manager – Pam Kamin**

- March represented the second month in a row with over 200 passport applications.
- Nahid has returned from a long-term medical leave, the department is happy to have her back.
- The department is grateful for all of its fantastic staff as it continues to navigate multiple long-term leaves of absence.

**IX. ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Milnes moved and it was seconded by Barreras to approve Resolution R-03-24 Review Closed Session Minutes – First Review 2025 (Attachment #5)

Ayes – all present. Nays – none. Motion carried.

- B. Barreras moved and it was seconded by Maes to approve Resolution Library Closure on Sunday, July 13 (Glendale Heights Fest Fireworks)

Ayes – all present. Nays – none. Motion carried.

**X. TRUSTEE OPEN DISCUSSION**

- A. Economic Interest Statement Reminder  
B. Imagination Library

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

Barreras moved and it was seconded by Milnes to adjourn the regular meeting of the library board of trustees at 7:45pm.

Ayes – all present. Nays – none. Motion carried.

Respectfully,

*Tom Bartenfelder*

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Library Director, Glenside Public Library District