

**SHOREWOOD-TROY PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING
February 12, 2026**

The Regular Meeting of the Shorewood-Troy Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order by President Thomas Novinski, at 7:00 p.m. on February 12, 2026. The meeting was held in Meeting Room A of the Library at 650 Deerwood Dr., Shorewood, IL 60404.

ROLL CALL:

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

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| 1. Karen Voitik | 2. Vito Schultz |
| 3. Arthetta Reeder | 4. Tom Novinski |
| 5. Bob Stahl | 6. Tiffany Allen-Smith |

ABSENT: Kristen McGee

STAFF PRESENT:

Jennie Mills, Director
Cindy Norman, Finance Clerk

VISITORS PRESENT: None

CHANGES/ADDITIONS TO AGENDA: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Treasurer Stahl moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on January 8, 2026. Vice President Schultz seconded the motion, which passed with all members present voting "Yes."

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: None

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Cash on Hand Beginning of January 2026	\$ 969,885.15
Cash received during January 2026	31,945.87
Disbursements January 2025	<u>(133,343.89)</u>
Cash on Hand End of January 2026	\$ 868,487.13

Location and Denomination of Cash

Petty Cash	\$ 300.00
Money Market Fund – Old Plank Trail x6183	342,609.01
Payroll Account – Chase	8,993.21
License Plates – Chase	1,673.27
Money Market – Old Plank Trail x9981	405,017.31
Money Market – Old Plank Trail x9981	<u>109,894.33</u>
TOTAL	\$ 868,487.13

APPROVAL AND PAYMENT OF BILLS:

Secretary Voitik moved that the bills presented for payment be approved. Vice President Schultz seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed with all Trustees present voting "Yes."

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT:

- a. Director's Report with personnel – Jennie Cisna Mills
 - LIMRiCC is looking to merge with WIN Insurance Cooperative for cost savings. They are seeking to enroll 1,000 employees in the health insurance pool to obtain more competitive rates. The joint meeting for the merger is on 2/24/26.
 - The Library will begin being able to offer a database called Learning Express, which is being provided to public libraries by the State Library. This database provides access to ACT and SAT test preparation and also helps patrons prepare for career accreditation skills.
 - The Board was in favor of a donor tree to recognize those who donate to the Foundation. The Board asked Director Mills to see if she could find a tree that could acknowledge donors based on different amount thresholds.
 - Director Mills applied for a grant through the "Give Something Back Foundation", which would provide funding for a summer intern for the Children's Department.
- b. Department Heads

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. The Board reviewed the proposed Board By-Law Changes before action at next month's meeting. The proposed changes are...(1) Trustees get 12 months of no shows before they are removed, (2) Remote attendance includes military service, (3) Meetings cannot be held on state or federal holidays.
- b. Treasurer Stahl motioned, and Vice President Schultz seconded to approve the closure of Chase account *9149. A roll call was taken, and the motion passed with all Trustees present voting "Yes".
- c. Vice President Schultz motioned, and Trustee Reeder seconded to approve the Family Neonatal Intensive Care Unit Leave Policy. The motion passed with all Trustees present voting "Yes".
- d. Vice President Schultz motioned, and Treasurer Stahl seconded to approve the release of Executive Session minutes from June 2025 to January 2026. The motion did not carry as all Trustees present voted "no".

CORRESPONDENCE: The Library received thank-you notes from a Home School Group that makes use of the Library's meeting room and a Non-For-Profit Group that had a drop box at the Library for their Gifts for Guardians event.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- The Friends of the Library donated \$1,000 to the Library Foundation.
- Trustees Tiffany Allen-Smith and Karen Voitik will attend the State of the Village address.
- Director Mills offered to send webinar links to any Trustees who would like to participate in ILA trainings.

Treasurer Stahl motioned, and Secretary Voitik seconded, that the meeting be adjourned at 7:24 p.m., with all members present voting "Yes".

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Norman, Finance Clerk