TRI-CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, June 16, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by the Vice President Rosie Walker. Present were Trustees Rosie Walker, Deanna Marvin, Paula Riser, John Coss, Dee Hartley, and Library Administrator Calla Patton. Maya Bergman and Leanne Hagee were absent.

Recognition of Visitors- Jonni Gilman, Jim Gilmann, Cathy Elmore, Jacqueline Henton, and Vanessa Robnett.

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of minutes- Deanna motioned to approve the minutes from the May, 26, 2026 meeting; John seconded. Motion passed.

Approval of Agenda- Deanna motioned to approve the agenda; John seconded. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report/Reading of Bills for Approval- The annual report to the IL Comptroller is late; Deanna will follow up with Jeremy. Deanna presented a handout with an estimated balance for the FY 2026. Paula motioned to approve as presented, Dee seconded.. Roll call vote Rosie-yes, Deanna-yes, Paula-yes, John-yes, Dee-yes; Maya-absent, Leanne-absent. Motion passed.

Committee Reports-

Fundraising- None
Personnel- None
Strategic Planning- None

Library Administrator Report- (a) monthly stats handout (b) summer reading participation numbers are up from last year (c) still waiting to hear back from the security company (d) still waiting on a response on the roof (e) the dumpster has arrived (f) reminder for all Trustees to complete the FOIA training (g) there are community grants available that can be used to update the signage out front (h) Calla, Leanne, and Rosie met regarding an employee that was recently let go and the position has been posted.

New Business- (a) patrons have asked about the Library getting Hoopla, Calla provided information about the App and answered questions. Deanna motioned to table a vote on getting Hoopla until next month; Dee seconded. Motion passed. (b) John motioned to approve up to $1300 for Calla and Vanessa to attend the IL Library Association Conference; Rosie seconded. Roll call vote: Deanna-yes, Paula-yes, John-yes, Dee-yes, Rosie-yes; Maya-absent, Leanne-absent. Motion passed.

Unfinished Business- (a) The approval of the final Employee Handbook was tabled until next month (b) Paula motioned to approve the FY 2027 budget as presented, John seconded. Roll call vote: Paula-yes, John-yes, Dee-yes, Rosie-yes, Deanna-yes; Maya-absent, Leanne-absent. Motion passed.

Public Comment- Jonni Gilmann has reached out to Leanne and asked the Board as a whole to look into her situation. Vanessa Robnett believes all staff were told the same thing and gave permission for the Board to look at her evaluation. Jim Gilmann questioned why Jonni's previous evaluations showed no issues until the last one.

Closed Session- Deanna motioned to move to closed session at 8:04 pm to discuss personnel, John seconded. Motion passed. Called Leanne to join on speaker phone. Leanne will request a meeting with the ex-employee with a tentative date of June 23, 2026 at 7pm. Dee motioned to close the closed session and open the regular meeting at 10:05 pm; Deanna seconded. Motion passed.

Adjournment- Paula made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Deanna seconded. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 10:09 pm.