



REGULAR MEETING OF THE SHOREWOOD LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

March 12, 2025
Meeting Minutes

Present:

- President Jonathan Smucker
- Vice President Kara Espera
- Trustee Patrick Linnane
- Trustee Anjum Alden
- Shorewood School District Superintendent Dr. Laurie Burgos (via phone)
- Assistant Director Noah Weckwerth
- Library Office Manager/Confidential Secretary Angela Andre

Others present:

- Heidi Frenzel

Excused:

- Director of Library Services Hayley Johnson
- Trustee Eric Couto
- Trustee Wesley Warren

1. **Call to Order** - President Smucker called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.
2. **Statement of Public Notice** - President Smucker stated that the meeting was properly noticed and posted according to law.
3. **Public Comment** - None
4. **Consent Agenda:** Trustee Espera moved to approve the agenda, the minutes from the February 25, 2025 meeting, and accounts payable reports. Trustee Linnane seconded, and motion carried by a vote of 5 -0.
5. **Library Statistics**
6. **Information: Library Assistant Director's Report**
 - Art Exhibit: The Shorewood Library is hosting Tracy Keller Nickolaus' art exhibition "Anticipatory Grief." The exhibition launched March 1 and will be on view at the library through April 7 throughout the adult collection side of the library, with 17 unique pieces. This exhibition is presented in collaboration with Shorewood's Dementia Awareness Work Group, Shorewood Connects Neighbors, Shorewood Senior Resource Center and with thanks to the AARP of Wisconsin.

- **Social Justice Story Time & National Day of Reading:** The library hosted a Social Justice story time in February with Rona Wolfe, who is a social justice educator with the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. The books that were read were:
 - Who was Martin Luther King Jr? by Lisbeth Kaiser
 - Kindness Makes Us Strong by Sophie Beer
 - Be Kind by Pat Zietlow Miller

The library was also participated in National Day of Reading on February 28. Every year, communities across the country join the Human Rights Campaign's Welcoming Schools program for its annual National Day of Reading: A Celebration of Trans Stories. This year, Shorewood Library staff celebrated by reading, recording, and sharing two picture books, My Maddy by Gail E. Pitman and I Am Jazz by Jazz Jennings.

- "My Maddy": <https://loom.ly/m-ykJIE>
- "I Am Jazz": <https://loom.ly/tm96AXM>
- **New Experience Passes:** The library has been working this winter of significantly bolster and diversify its experience pass offerings. New passes that have been added or are in the process of being added soon.

7. **Information: Shorewood Library Policies and Updates**

Assistant Director Weckwerth presented a timeline of when Shorewood Library policies were initially approved and when they were last updated. This will be used as a guide for prioritizing review of these policies going forward.

8. **Information: Nominating Committee**

Notes from the most recent Nominating committee were presented. Trustee Patrick Linnane reported that he met with the Village Assistant Manager to clarify the term lengths, process, and timeline for future Library Board Trustee appointments.

9. **Information: Trustee Essentials 18: *Board Appointments & Composition***

10. **Items for Future Consideration**

Easter Sunday closing

11. **Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 5:56 P.M.

Recorded and submitted by Library Office Manager/Confidential Secretary Angela Andre
on the 13th day of March, 2025