

**C.E. Brehm Memorial Public Library District
Board of Trustees
Minutes—May 12, 2026**

THE LIBRARY BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD IN PERSON, WITH BOARD MEMBERS WHO HAVE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA, ATTENDING REMOTELY.

To attend electronically, the member attending an in-person meeting must show:

- 1. Personal illness or disability;**
- 2. Family or other emergency;**
- 3. Employment purposes or business of the public body;**
- 4. Unexpected childcare obligation;**
- 5. The performance of active military duty as a service member**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Amanda Crider. Those present were President Crider, Hannah Greever, Holly Johnson, Bob Metcalf, Katie Williams, Linda Woodrome, Assistant Director Erin Steinsultz, and Director Esther Curry.

Audience to Visitors: None

Secretary's Report: The Secretary's Report was previously presented to the board members. As there were no corrections or additions, the April minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

Correspondence: In memory of Sharon Yearwood, the library received a number of donations which will be put toward a reading nook on the children's floor.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Bob Metcalf gave the following report:

Community First Bank	General Operating Fund	\$ 379,677.93
	Working Cash Fund	199,942.00
	Special Reserve Fund	<u>2,383,858.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$ 2,963,477.93

Linda Woodrome made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report, pay the April bills, and transfer \$100,000 from savings to checking. Bob Metcalf seconded the motion. ROLL CALL #1 was approved 6-0.

Director's Report & Staff Reports - Director Curry noted that all full-time staff attended the Reaching Forward South Conference. She also shared that the meetings with Martavia from Campaign Counsel took place earlier in the month, and the next round will take place toward the end of June.

Report of Officers: **President:** None.

Treasurer: None.

Standing Committees:

Finance: None.

Personnel: None.

Policy: None.

Bldg and Grounds: None.

Community Relations: None.

Special Committees:

Concept Design Committee: None.

Annex Committee: None.

Illinois Heartland Library System: None.

Shakespeare Foundation: Bob Metcalf shared that the fund continues to see growth, with a current value of more than \$1.2 million.

Unfinished Business: **1.** None.

New Business: **1. Elect New Vice-President** - Hannah Greever made a motion to appoint Holly Johnson as Vice-President. Katie Williams seconded the motion. The motion was approved by voice vote.

2. Approve updated bank authorized signatories list - Director Curry asked Hannah Greever to provide a letter for the bank with updated signatories list.

3. Approve the Non-Resident Card fees for FY26-27 - Linda Woodrome made a motion to approve the non-resident card fees. Amanda Crider seconded the motion. ROLL CALL #2 passed 6-0.

4. Approve the changes to the Internet Guidelines - Hannah Greever made a motion to approve changes to the Internet Guidelines. Holly Johnson seconded the motion. The motion was approved by voice vote.

5. Discuss options to reduce smokers at the entrance by expanding no smoking area - The board discussed various issues with the non-smoking areas and lack of adherence to the current regulations.

Closed Session: None.

Adjournment: With approval by unanimous consent, President Crider adjourned the meeting at 7:41 PM.
