

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE INDIANOLA PUBLIC LIBRARY

April 14, 2026

5:30 PM

Indianola Public Library - Meeting Room B

Agenda

Present: Library Director - Michele Patrick, Randi Malone, Andy Brittingham, Val Craven, Dawn Goodale, Cyd Dyer, Sally Van Dorin

Guests: Jake Meshke, Mayor Steve Richardson

1. Call to Order

Andy called the meeting to order at 5:32pm.

2. Public Comment

No public comment.

3. Agenda Approval

MOTION: *Cyd motioned to approve the agenda. Sally seconded. Motion carried.*

4. Unfinished Business

a. Building Update

City Manager, Jake Meshke, and Indianola Mayor, Steve Richardson joined the meeting to provide a building update. They noted that the city maintains flexibility with the plan forward and is working to push the conceptual design to the finish line. After the design is finalized, more discussion will be held with the Library Board and the Friends group on the plan moving forward. Discussion was held about the reality of a timeline for the new library and City Manager Meshke noted that it is still actively being worked through. The next steps would be guidance from the council on how to proceed and the projected timeline for a new library - some of which depends on the legislature. Mayor Richardson encourages everyone to speak to council members and representatives at the State level to help us keep the project moving.

5. Minutes Approval

a. March, 10, 2026 Meeting Minutes*

MOTION: *Dawn motioned to approve the March 10 meeting minutes. Cyd seconded. Motion carried.*

6. Trustee Continuing Education

a. Legislature Update

Michele gave a summary update of the legislature and noted that there has been no movement on bills impacting the library since 3/31/26.

7. Financial Reports

a. Approve Monthly Claims*

Michele gave a summary of monthly claims and had an addition of \$230 for the Metro Library puzzles from WDM Public Library. Discussion was held on ordering books from Amazon. Michele also noted that we are almost finished paying OPN.

Val asked about the monthly claims and requested an additional report to show month over month. Michele noted that she will work on that.

MOTION: Randi motioned to approve the monthly claims. Dawn seconded.
Motion carried.

b. Review Financial Reports

Michele reports that the budget summary is on track. We have inquired on a few items with the city and are awaiting their response but are otherwise in good shape and have received the rural reimbursement. We got the check from the county, which was more than we expected, and there is nothing unusual with expenditures.

8. New Business

a. Library Board Opening

Michele noted that we have an opening on the library board. Sally has re-upped for another term and the City Council will vote on 5/4 for the new board position.

9. Reports

a. Friends of the Library Report

Sally highlighted the Metro Library puzzles and the new Board member on the Friends group. They are working to put some money in CD's. Trivia earned a few thousand dollars.

b. Director's Report

Michele gave her report and the key item was highlighting the Metro Library puzzles and the Author's Fair at Simpson.

c. Library Statistics

Michele summarized the statistics and noted that circulation is good but we are struggling in other areas.

10. Agenda Items for the Next Meeting

None

11. Trustee Comments

No Trustee Comments.

12. Adjourn

Motion to Adjourn by Andy. The meeting adjourned at 6:35pm.