



Board of Library Trustees Regular Meeting

Judith Gamoran Board Room, Main Library

700 N. North Court, Palatine, IL

May 20, 2025, 7:00 pm

Closed session for the purpose of the establishment of reserves or settlement of claims as provided in the Local Governmental and Governmental Employees Tort Immunity Act, if otherwise the disposition of a claim or potential claim might be prejudiced, or the review or discussion of claims, loss or risk management information, records, data, advice or communications from or with respect to any insurer of the public body or any intergovernmental risk management association or self insurance pool of which the public body is a member in compliance with 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(12).

Closed Session Minutes

1. Call to order of closed session

The closed session of the Board of Library Trustees Regular Meeting was called to order by President Brauer at 9:03 pm on May 20, 2025. No audio recording exists due to a technical problem. The closed session was for the purpose the establishment of reserves or settlement of claims as provided in the Local Governmental and Governmental Employees Tort Immunity Act, if otherwise the disposition of a claim or potential claim might be prejudiced, or the review or discussion of claims, loss or risk management information, records, data, advice or communications from or with respect to any insurer of the public body or any intergovernmental risk management association or self insurance pool of which the public body is a member in compliance with 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(12).

2. Roll call

Upon roll call, Trustees Boland, Brauer, DeRosa, Ha, Sherry, True, and Westhoff were physically present.

3. Introduction of visitors

Executive Director Melissa Gardner, Deputy Director Susan Conner, Community Services Director Kathy Burns.

4. Discussion


The Board and Executive Director discussed a message that the Library received on May 13, 2025 from a rogue actor claiming access to Library data, and threatening release of said data unless payment was given. The Executive Director and Library administrators contacted the Library's insurance company and attorneys; those individuals and companies worked together to minimize damage, contact the rogue actor, and safeguard the Library's data and computer systems. As a safeguard, internet access at the Library was stopped.


5. Reconvene to regular session

President Brauer reconvened the meeting to regular session at 9:54 pm.

Prepared by Barbara Sherry

Approved: 6/17/25


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