Franklin Public Library
Library Board Meeting
October 26, 2026
Approved: November 23, 2026

ATTENDANCE:

Name	Attended	Name	Attended	Name	Attended
Maria Imp ***President***	X	Michael Karolewicz ***Secretary***	X	Alan Aleksandrowicz ***Treasurer***	X
Annie Vitas-Oklobdzija ***Vice-President***	X	Kelly Walker	X	Christopher Doll	X
Lauren Rosso	Excused	Amanda Pound **School** ***District Representative***	X	Ald. Yousef Hasan ***Aldermanic Representative***	Excused

Also Attended: Jennifer Loeffel, Library Director

Call to Order: President M. Imp called the Franklin Public Library Board meeting to order and performed roll call at 6:00p.m.

Visitors: None.

Public Comment: None.

Donations: A $350 donation was made to the Library in memory of longtime patron, Delroy Welle.

Approval of the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of the Library Board of Trustees, September 28, 2026: A. Vitas-Oklobdzija motioned to approve the minutes; seconded by A. Aleksandrowicz. Motion passed.

Finance Committee:

Approval of Vouchers and Invoices for Funds 15 and 16 -

Fund 15 - Motion to approve invoices in the amount of $5,877.59 by A. Vitas-Oklobdzija; seconded by A. Pound. Motion passed.

Fund 16 - Motion to approve invoices in the amount of $10,183.08 by A. Vitas-Oklobdzija; seconded by A. Pound. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report- A. Aleksandrowicz

The September report represents 74.79% of the year.

FUND 15
Total Revenue for Fund 15 is 100.03% of the budget. Total expenditures are 70.84% of the budget.

FUND 16
Total Revenue is 74.79% of the budget. Total expenditures are 53.61% of the budget.

Cash Register Report was correct in total costs.

Report of the Personnel Committee: A select group of the library staff was surveyed for their point-of-view of library operations. In general, staff feels they are part of something special. However, it's felt that more staff is needed to meet ongoing library operations.

New Business:

a. **Adoption of 2027 Mayor's Recommended Budget:** The city is proposing a 3% raise in pay for non-represented employees in 2027, but updated personnel numbers have not been received from the city. M. Imp made a motion to table adopting the Mayor's Recommended Budget; A. Aleksandrowicz seconded. Motion passed.
b. **Q3 Action Plan Update:** J. Loeffel presented progress on objectives. A. Pound offered to reach out to Andy Thompson at Franklin High School for assistance with increasing FPL's presence on social media. The Board suggested that the green/red coloring of status towards goals be changed: green to mean completed, red to mean past the due date. J. Loeffel's monthly report will inform the Board of any objectives not anticipated to meet their due date.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Update on Past or Upcoming Council Actions Relating to the Library: None.

Update on Franklin Public Schools Matters Relating to the Library: None.

Report of the President: M. Imp alerted the Library Board of the early November due date for the director's annual evaluation.

Report of the Library Director:

a. **Monthly Activity of Library Director & Library:** Trunk-or-Treat was very successful. The presentation to the Common Council was well-received. The preventative maintenance contract with Lee Mechanical is with the Common Council for approval. In February, 2027, FPL will receive $73,766 in reciprocal borrowing funds. Board members suggested that J. Loeffel reach out to media like WUWM and Channel 4 to promote the library with special-interest stories.

b. **FPL @ a Glance Statistics Report:** Gate count and circulation both up over last year for the month.

Report of the Franklin Public Library Foundation: The Fundraising Committee set a goal of $450,000 for the Children's Area Redesign. About $69,000 has been received to-date. The community can provide feedback on the design via survey and reaching out during storytime programs.

Upcoming Meetings:

a. Strategic Plan Ad Hoc Committee: TBD
c. Regular Library Board of Trustees Meeting: Monday, November 23, 2026 at 6pm in Sievert Conference Room.

Adjourn: A. Vitas-Oklobdzija made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:49pm; M. Karolewicz seconded. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted, Michael Karolewicz, Library Board Secretary