

The next meeting will be Monday, March 11th, 2025, at 6:00 pm.

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Public Comment
- 4. Vote to Establish Consent Agenda

ESTABLISH A CONSENT AGENDA BY OMNIBUS VOTE:

(All items under the Consent Agenda are considered routine in nature and will be enacted by a single motion and subsequent roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Trustee so requests; in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered as the first item after approval of the Consent Agenda)

- A. Approval of Minutes
- B. Report of Bills to be Paid
- C. Treasurer's Budget Report
- 5. Vote to Approve Items on the Consent Agenda
- 6. Approve Any Items Removed from Consent Agenda
- 7. Director's Monthly Report
 - a. January 2025 Statistics
 - b. Building Maintenance/Projects
 - c. Library Personnel
 - d. Annual Reports
 - 2024 Per Capita Grant Status
 - 2025 Per Capita Grant Requirement
 - ILLINET
 - Annual Library Certification
 - Illinois Public Library Annual Report (IPLAR)
 - e. Trustee Training Opportunities
 - iLEAD Trustee Learning Portal
 - ILA Trustee Forum Spring Webinars
 - ATLAS Annual Library Trustee Workshop
 - f. 2025 Bingo Fundraiser
- 8. Trustee Continuing Education Report: Meaghan Terry
- 9. Friends of the Library/Royal Neighbors
- 10. Unfinished Business for Discussion and Possible Action:
 - a. APPROVE Budget Meeting Minutes

 Motion to approve the January 13th Budget Committee Minutes as presented.
 - b. APPROVE Personnel Policy

Motion to approve the Personnel Policy as presented.

- 11. New Business for Discussion and Possible Action:
 - a. Serving the Public 4.0 (Chapters 1: Core Standards)
 - b. Serving the Public 4.0 (Chapters 2: Governance and Administration)
 - c. Trustee Facts File (Chapter 2: Orientation for New Trustees)
 - d. Discuss Library Director Job Description
 - e. Discuss Freedom of Information Guide and Request Form
 - f. Discuss FY25-26 Rock River Library District Contract
- 12. Library Wishes
- 13. Items to be Placed on Next Month's Agenda
- 14. Adjournment

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* How to convene a Closed Session:

Specific steps must be taken so that convening a Closed Meeting is legally accomplished as outlined in 5ILCS 120/2(a) sets down two conditions for holding a Closed Meeting. The first step is substantive: the meeting must fall into one of the exceptions listed in Section 2(c). These exceptions must be "strictly construed against Closed Meetings" 5 ILCS 120/1 (2). The second step is procedural: the public body must close the meetings "in accordance with Section 2(a)" 5 ILCS 120/2 (a) requires the public body to a roll call vote on whether to close the meeting to the public (the meeting need not be closed, even if it falls into one of the exceptions in Section 2(c). 5 ILCS 120/2(a). Following is a list of exceptions:

- The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity; However a meeting to consider an increase in compensation to a specific employee of a public body that is subject to the Local Government Wage Increase Transparency Act may not be closed and shall be open to the public and posted and held in accordance with this act.
- collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees;
- 3) the selection of a person to fill a public office, including a vacancy in a public office, when the public body is given power to appoint under law or ordinance; or the discipline, performance or removal of the occupant of the public office, when the public body is given the power to remove the occupant under law or ordinance.
- 4) consider evidence or testimony presented in open hearing, or in closed hearing where specifically authorized by law, to a quasi-adjudicative body (which means an administrative body charged by law or ordinance with the responsibility to conduct hearings, receive evidence or testimony and make determinations based thereon, but does not include local electoral boards when such bodies are considering petition challenges), provided that the body prepares and makes available for public inspection a written decision setting forth its determinative reasoning;
- 5) purchase or lease of real property for the use of the public body is being considered, including meetings held for the purpose of discussing whether a particular parcel should be acquired;
- 6) the setting of the price for sale or lease of real estate owned by the public body is being considered;
- 7) consider the sale or purchase of securities, investments or investment contracts;
- 8) consider security procedures and the use of personnel and equipment to respond to an actual, a threatened, or a reasonably potential danger to the safety of employees, students, staff, the public or public property;
- 9) Student disciplinary cases
- 10) The placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students. 3
- 11) litigations "when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting";
- 12) reserves or settle 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 to review or discuss claims, loss or risk management information, records, data, advice, or communications from or with respect to any insurer of the local public entity or any intergovernmental risk management association or self-insurance pool of which the local government is a member;
- 13) The conciliation of complaints of discrimination in the sale or rental of housing, when closed meetings are authorized by law or ordinance prescribing fair housing practices and creating a commission or administrative agency for their enforcement;
- 14) consider informant sources, the hiring or assignment of undercover personnel or equipment, or ongoing, prior or future criminal investigations, when discussed by a public body with criminal investigatory responsibilities;
- 15) consider professional ethics or performance when considered by an advisory body appointed to advise a licensing or regulatory agency on matters germane to the advisory body's field of competence;
- 16) self-evaluation, practices and procedures or professional ethics, when meeting with a representative of a statewide association of which the public body is a member
- 21) discussion of minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Act either for purposes of approval by the body of the minutes or semi-annual review of the minutes as required by the Act;
- 23) discuss the operation by a municipality of a municipal utility or the operation of a municipal power agency or a municipal natural gas agency when the discussion involves (i) contracts relating to the purchase, sale or deliver of electricity or natural gas or (ii) the results or conclusions of load forecast studies