



PUBLIC LIBRAR BOARD

MINUTES

June 23, 2026

5:15 p.m.

Hybrid

Approved: July 28, 2026

Call to Order

Chair Amy Roberts called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Roll Call

Members present: Steve Borst, Jaci Eiquihua, Douglas Hambley, Linda Hart, Scott Kniefel, Amy Roberts, Jane Sandberg

Staff present: Eric Ikenouye, Library Director; Elise Schuh, Administrative Services Coordinator

Approval of May 26, 2026, Minutes

5:16 p.m.

MOTION: Board member Douglas Hambley moved to approve the minutes as written. Board member Linda Hart seconded it and it passed (7-0).

Scheduled Business

5:17 p.m.

The consultants from Library Strategies provided an overview of the strategic planning process and presented a draft of the Strategic Plan for Board feedback. The Strategic Plan is structured around broad goals, with supporting strategies under each to provide direction. The consultants reviewed each of the five goals, providing context and background information related to the goals and their supporting strategies.

Board members discussed the draft plan, asked questions, and requested more information and clarification about the goals, strategies, expected outcomes, and how the plan would be implemented. Discussion included:

- Clarification of how “spaces” are defined in the Strategic Plan, including both physical and digital spaces.
- Requests for additional examples of community concerns and feedback related to library services, spaces, and programming.
- Discussion about the process for determining specific actions and priorities for each strategy.
- Feedback and questions about the wording and meaning of several strategies.

- A request to more clearly include schools as part of the community in the outreach strategies.
- Questions about possible funding sources and how the strategies would be implemented.

The Board thanked the consultants for their presentation and for seeking feedback on the draft Strategic Plan.

Business from the Commission

6:14 p.m.

Hambley requested an update on the library newsletter and plans related to the recent Carnegie Corporation grant.

Staff Updates

6:18 p.m.

Ikenouye provided an update on Summer Reading Program sign-ups, upcoming programs including the Rainbow Reveal with artist Peter Erskine and a presentation by Cliff Barackman, ongoing outreach efforts, and staffing.

Next Meeting Date

The next regularly scheduled meeting is on Tuesday, July 28th, 2026

Adjournment

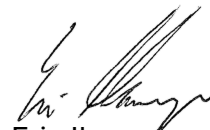
Hearing no further business, Roberts adjourned the meeting at 6:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Elise Schuh
Administrative Services Coordinator

Reviewed by,



Eric Ikenouye
Library Director

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