

Reading Public Library



Board of Trustees - Meeting Minutes

Date: May 18, 2026

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Reading Public Library commenced at 4:30 PM, Kaitlin Daley, President, presiding

Present: Kaitlin Daley, Alan Carman, Arielle Phillips-Law, Bernadette Berrios, Chris Phillips, Lucretia Brown, Keith Mooney, Michel Micozzi, Anthony Orozco, Jerry Richter, Sherry Cameron, Leo Hanley, Melissa Adams and Vicky Fuller.

Absent: Warren Weik, Salvador Sepulveda, and Rick Perez excused.

Guests: Stephanie Williams, Carolyn Spano and Marissa Guidara

Public Comment: None

Minutes: Motion to approve the April minutes was made by Alan Carman and seconded by Chris Phillips. Approved.

Treasurers Report: Alan Carman reviewed the income and expenses year to date. Investments are doing well. Motion to accept the April Treasurer's Report was made by Jerry Richter and seconded by Michel Micozzi. Accepted.

Director's Report: Melissa Adams reported on the meeting with the city to discuss the archive project. The city is grateful for any assistance we can provide, and we are waiting to gain access to their system to see if we can utilize it to help them better track, organize and locate materials. We are currently renewing our health insurance for staff and we are looking at about a 20% or \$35,000 increase in our employer portion. Costs for employees are 25% for individual plans, children are 50% and spouses are 100%. Melissa mentioned she attended the Solar panel project groundbreaking event at Public Works. The idea behind these initiatives is to cover utility costs for locations and earn back credits to save city funds. Melissa is working with Bethany in Public Works to do a similar grant-funded project at Southeast and Northeast on their roofs since we pay the utilities for those buildings. Not only could this provide savings for NE and SE's utility costs, but earn us credit for other library locations. Melissa provided a brief Strategic Plan update on the statuses of each of the five goals.

District Services: Marissa and Becky provided their reports prior to the meeting. Marissa highlighted events including Library Days at Berks Nature, Nature Stroll and Roll and the Holocaust Event that was held in partnership with the Jewish Federation.

Library Services: No Report

Facilities: Mike Micozzi reported the repairs at the Foundation building is set to begin and should only take about a week.

Finance: No report

Development & Communication: Bernadette Berrios provided the updates. Celebrity Bartender will be held this Wednesday, May 20th. So far, we have raised \$12,000 and have a \$10,000 sponsor.

We have implemented improvements to make the even run smoother. We received another donation from Lisa Fulmer for Summer Reading as well as funds for a children's sofa at the Northeast Branch. The RPLF endowment interest check will be used for general support. The theme for Cocktails and Classics is western, and the committee is working on a new tag line. Summer Reading kickoff is June 13.

Governance: No Report. Committee will meet prior to June meeting.

Executive Committee: No Report at this time.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

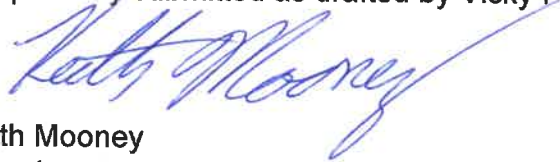
Motion to enter Executive Session at 4:47PM by Keith Mooney, seconded by Alan Carman.

Motion to adjourn Executive Session at 5:36 PM by Keith Mooney, seconded by Arielle Phillips-Law.

Motion to approve Melissa Adams' 2026 Goals and Objectives as documented in spreadsheet was made by Keith Mooney and seconded by Leo Hanley. Approve.

Motion to adjourn was made Keith Mooney and seconded by Jerry Richter.

Respectfully submitted as drafted by Vicky Fuller,



Keith Mooney
Secretary