Twinsburg Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting November 19, 2025 6:00 pm



Present: President Suszanne Hawthorne-Clay, Vice President Matt Cellura, Secretary Sam Taylor, Mark Durbin, Mary Johnson, and Holly Toth.

Absent: Becki Kovach

Also Present: Director Laura Leonard, Assistant Director Cari Dubiel, Fiscal Officer Kile Byington, and Administrative Assistant Jill Liepins.

Call to Order: President Suszanne Hawthorne-Clay called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Minutes of Last Meeting: Sam Taylor moved to approve the October 15, 2025 regular meeting minutes. Mary Johnson seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

President's Report: Board President Suszanne Clay shared what a great evening she had attending the Foundation Experience.

Fiscal Officer Kile Byington Reported:

- PLF is expected to be 2-3% (approx. \$30k to \$40k) below what was anticipated from beginning of year.
- Presented and discussed 2026 Temporary Appropriations.
- Updated Holiday Pay and Bereavement policies presented to be voted on in consent agenda.
- Also presented and discussed 2026 Pay Scale.

October 2025 Fund Balances

Total All Funds	2,002,668.21
Technology Fund	60,681.59
Building and Repair Fund	661,730.07
Friends Fund	15,567.03
General Fund	1,264,689.52

Matt Cellura moved to approve the October 2025 Financial Report. Holly Toth seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and passed:

Yes: Mr. Cellura, Mr. Durbin, Dr. Hawthorne-Clay, Mrs. Johnson, Dr. Taylor, Mrs. Toth

Absent: Ms. Kovach

Director Laura Leonard Reported:

- The renovation project is substantially complete. A punch list was done on November 7th and Lawler will be tending to the issues throughout the month of December.
- There will be a reduction in the final invoice from the architect after our meeting discussing some areas of concern.
- The cleaning company's insurance will cover the cost to replace the carpet by the Staff Entrance.
- The starter on the generator will have to be replaced.
- Michael Dober's last day in ALIS was November 7th. Interviews for his replacement are ongoing. Ali Rankin, part time Children's Associate, has left to take a full time position. A job ad will be posted soon. Darla Woods, part time Children's Associate, will become full time. She will continue part time in the Children's Department and part time helping Kaitlin Walker in Outreach.

• Staff Training Day is February 23, 2026 where the Employee of the Year will be announced. Details to follow.

Committee Reports:

Building and Grounds: None

Personnel: Executive Session at end of meeting.

Finance: Presented 2026 Temporary Appropriations.

Friends of the Library: The Friends Shop will be open during the Open House on December 14th. The slate of officers will remain the same for 2026. Donations in memory of Don Spice will be used towards the Makerspace. Currently at 182 members.

Library Foundation: Currently looking for a new board member. The Experience was successful, bringing in approximately \$7,000. Next meeting Is December 8, 2026.

New Business: The nominating committee consists of Mary Johnson, Becki Kovach, and Holly Toth. The 2026 slate will be announced at the January organizational meeting.

Sam Taylor moved to add 2025-43 to the consent agenda. Matt Cellura seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Consent Agenda

2025-35	Approve the 2026 Temporary Appropriations for All Funds.
2025-36	Approve the 2026 Pay Scale as presented.
2025-37	Set the average percentage for staff salary increases not to exceed 3% for 2026 to be distributed at
	the discretion of the Director.
2025-38	Approve the updated Holiday Pay Policy.
2025-39	Approve the updated Bereavement Policy.
2025-40	Resolution authorizing advances of local taxes in 2026.
2025-41	Accept a \$400 unrestricted donation from Summit e-Waste Recycling Solutions.
2025-42	Allow the Director to enter into a contract with Jan-Pro Cleaning and Disinfecting for janitorial
	services at a cost of \$47,808 for 2026.
2025-43	Accept the donation of metal artwork by Steel Alive artists, Courtney and Rommel Ricaurte, from
	the family of Mike and Sue Molnar, in memory of their parents.

Sam Taylor moved to approve. Mark Durbin seconded. A roll call vote was taken and passed:

Yes: Mr. Cellura, Mr. Durbin, Dr. Hawthorne-Clay, Mrs. Johnson, Dr. Taylor, Mrs. Toth

Absent: Ms. Kovach

Matt Cellura moved to convene an Executive Session at 6:51 pm to discuss the employment of a public official. Mary Johnson seconded. A roll call vote was taken and passed.

Yes: Mr. Cellura, Mr. Durbin, Dr. Hawthorne-Clay, Mrs. Johnson, Dr. Taylor, Mrs. Toth

Absent: Ms. Kovach

Came out of Executive Session and returned to regular session at 7:25 pm.

2025-44 2025-45	Set the 2026 salaries for the Directo	Director and Fiscal Officer and resolve to rehire both for 2026 or and Fiscal Officer to be the same as 2025. In lieu of a raise i will receive a bonus of 3% of their 2025 gross wages, to be pain	in
	ura, Mr. Durbin, Dr. Hawthorne-Clay, N	onded. A roll call vote was taken and passed: Ars. Johnson, Dr. Taylor, Mrs. Toth	
Mary Johnso	on moved to adjourn at 7:27 p.m. Holly	Toth seconded. The motion was passed.	
	President	Secretary	