

Rochester Public Library

Board of Trustees – Meeting Minutes – February 10, 2026

In attendance: Lauren Scogin (Board Chair), Barbara Shenton (Treasurer), Maya Newroot (Library Director), Natalie Cassidy (Secretary), Melody Balczon, Vincent Martinez

Meeting called to order at 5:32p

- I. Public Communications and Comments— Maya received update RE: stained glass window. Will be ready to replace soon w/start of last window in spring.
- II. Board Communications and Comments—none
- III. Approval of January 2026 Meeting Minutes— approved as presented
- IV. Review of Action items
 - a. Melody attended board meetings, received letter of approval from select board designating Sandy as grant writer, library will provide letter of support indicating same.
 - b. Lauren Scogin/board chair will be authorized to execute contracts for north wall.
 - c. We will pursue Dance event at Pierce Hall instead of Library.
 - d. Lauren contacted town to appropriate second half of funds.
- V. Treasurer’s Report— approved as presented
- VI. Librarian’s Report— approved as presented
- VII. New Business
 - a. Melody and Vincent up for election at town meeting, 3/2/26 7pm
 - b. Kelly Kelly visited from FOL to discuss Spring Fling. Suggested FOL join folks at Hub/PH RE: fundraising efforts.
- VIII. Old Business
 - a. Library Integrity & Access Protection update— Vincent continues working on plan
 - b. North Wall Repair— discussed grants, contact person for contracts.
 - c. Policy Review— policy reviews ratified
- IX. Action Items
 - a. Maya will write support letter and board will sign this month.
 - b. Lauren Scogin/board chair will be authorized to execute contracts.
 - c. Barbara will authorize payment to Mark RE: librarian report/building.

Meeting adjourned 6:24pm. Next scheduled meeting is Tuesday March 10th, 2026 at 5:30 PM upstairs in the library.

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Respectfully submitted— Natalie Cassidy, Secretary