



QUINCY PUBLIC LIBRARY

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**Quincy Public Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
Tuesday, September 16, 2025
Minutes**

The meeting of the Quincy Public Library Board of Directors was called to order at 6:04 p.m. on Tuesday, September 16, 2025, by President Jon Hoover. The roll call attendance was as follows:

Jon Hoover:	present	Clairice Hetzler:	present
Lena Jones:	present	Dean Lavelle:	present
Scott Walden:	present	Kelly Mays:	present
Tony Crane:	present	Harry Ruth:	absent
Megan Dusterhaus-AuBuchon:	present		

Present: 8 Absent: 1

Others present: Jess Givens

I. CONSENT AGENDA

Scott made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Megan seconded and the motion carried.

II. PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS

Jon informed the board that he spoke with Chief Yates at QPD about having an officer stop by the library once or twice a day for the next month to just be present for extra safety purposes.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

A community member who's name was not audible for the record spoke on the library board's transparency. They started by thanking the board for all their work for the community, as they have benefitted from library services since childhood. They reiterated that when information about decisions made behind closed doors is not shared, the public trust is weakened. They asked that the library make a public statement addressing the comments made by local Alderman Jake Reed about the library collection and the Freed Between the Lines event. They went on to say that because the comments about the library were untrue, it spreads misinformation about the library's mission and practices which in turn can impact community support and funding.

IV. FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Vicki Hartsock informed the board that during the month of August the book store brought in \$3,370, including the book sale revenue. She reminded them also about the upcoming book sale in October.

V. NEW BUSINESS

PAYABLES APPROVAL LIST –Megan made a motion to approve the payables list with a correction to the Barnard invoice budget line. Dean seconded and the motion carried. The roll call vote is as follows:

Jon Hoover:	yes	Clairice Hetzler:	yes
Lena Jones:	yes	Dean Lavelle:	yes
Scott Walden:	yes	Kelly Mays:	yes
Tony Crane:	yes	Harry Ruth:	absent
Megan Dusterhaus-AuBuchon:	yes		

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VI. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Megan made a motion to go into executive session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees. Scott seconded and the motion carried, opening the executive session at 6:28 p.m.

Scott made a motion to come out of executive session and reopen the public meeting at 7:08 p.m. Tony seconded, and the motion carried.

The board did not make any votes regarding any library staff because it was not on the agenda. Scott made a motion to schedule a follow-up meeting for Monday, September 22, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. Clairice seconded and the motion carried.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Megan made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Scott seconded and the motion carried, adjourning the meeting at 7:15 p.m.