

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE  
NORTHLAKE PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
FEBRUARY 19, 2026

The regular meeting of February 19, 2026, of the Northlake Public Library District Board of Trustees was called to order by President Glowinski at 6:31 p.m.

Present Board members: Glowinski, Biddle, Gutierrez, Elliott, Aldinger, and Niemi.  
Absent Board members: Cassidy-Hatchet

Also present were: Laura Bartnik, Director and Raleigh Ocampo, Asst. Director, and Annette Ignoffo, Business Office Manager.

The Board approved the agenda with the change that the Executive Session was not needed on a motion by Biddle with a second by Elliott. Roll Call Vote:

AYE: All  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Cassidy-Hatchet

The Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 15, 2026, were approved on a motion by Biddle with a second by Elliott. Roll Call Vote:

AYE: All  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Cassidy-Hatchet

The Library Fund Profit and Loss Report of January 31, 2026, was approved on a motion by Glowinski with a second by Aldinger. Roll Call Vote:

AYE: All  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Cassidy-Hatchet

Acceptance of the Bills Paid Report for January - February 2026 was approved on a motion by Elliott with a second by Gutierrez. Roll Call Vote:

AYE: All  
NAY: None  
ABSENT: Cassidy-Hatchet

Acceptance of the Bills Payable Report for February 19, 2026, was approved on a motion by Gutierrez with a second by Aldinger. Roll Call Vote:

AYE: All  
NAY: None

ABSENT: Cassidy-Hatchet

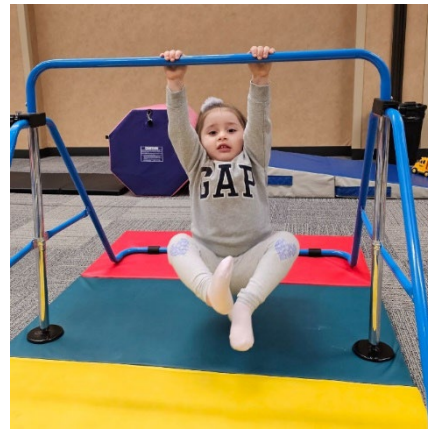
Bills paid, January - February 2026: \$49,270.15

Bills payable, February 19, 2026: \$41,755.02

January-February 26 Director's Report submitted by Laura Bartnik -February 19, 2026

- **Building:**
  - Parking lot Light
    - One of our parking lot poles lost electricity, Nuer returned to make an additional repair.
  - Generator
    - All work has been completed, we're just waiting on Generac to schedule the factory start up.
  - Painting
    - Raleigh has an updated quote to finish painting in the LL Program room. Due to programming we'll be scheduling the job for later spring.
- **Grants:**
  - DCEO Grant HD250098 Children's Dept \$253,000.00
    - We've had our first planning meeting with Studio GC. Tentatively we'll be starting construction in August.
  - Dollar General Grant
    - \$3,000 to add Tonieboxes, which are screen free audio book players.
  - IL State Historical Records Grant
    - Between \$500-\$5,000 to digitize local archives.
- **Meetings:**
  - 1/20 E-Rate Changes Webinar
  - 1/27 IPLAR Changes Webinar
  - 1/30 DCEO Grant Kick Off Meeting
  - 2/2 Cook County Tax Coalition Meeting
  - 2/3 SWAN Budget Overview
  - 2/17 Cook County Tax Coalition Meeting
- **Programs / Marketing:**
  - Adult Service's had 101 patrons attend programs in January (crafting being the most popular).
  - Youth Services saw 145 patrons attend programs (Toddler Play being the most popular).
  - Weekly Story Time at Whittier School started in January.
- **Personnel:**
  - Guest Services has hired Diosmery for their part time clerk position. She starts next week.





Acceptance of the librarian's report was approved on a motion by Elliott with a second by Gutierrez.  
Roll Call Vote:

AYE: All

NAY: None

ABSENT: Cassidy-Hatchet

President Glowinski report: None

Vice President Cassidy-Hatchet report: None

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1) Strategic Plan Update - The Director told the Board of how the libraries previous strategic plan and the updated plan is coming together.
- 2) Board Actions Calendar - The Director presented the Board Actions Calendar as prepared by the attorney.
- 3) Property Tax Bill Delay Resolution

The Board approved Resolution 2026-01 for the Property Tax Bill Delay on a motion by Biddle with a second from Gutierrez. Roll Call Vote:

AYE: All

NAY: None

ABSENT: Cassidy-Hatchet

4) Selection of Library Materials Review

The Director reviewed the Selection Policy for Library Materials with the Board. This was approved on a motion from Elliott with a second from Aldinger. Roll Call Vote:

AYE: All

NAY: None

ABSENT: Cassidy-Hatchet

5) Annual Review of Board Bylaws and Updates

The Director presented to the Board the updated Bylaws with Article 6 and 8. This was approved on a motion from Biddle with a second from Gutierrez. Roll Call Vote:

AYE: All

NAY: None

ABSENT: Cassidy-Hatchet

**PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Having moved through the agenda, the meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m. by President Glowinski.

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

Elizabeth Biddle, Secretary

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