

MORTON GROVE PUBLIC LIBRARY MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

June 12, 2025 7:00 P.M.

The Board of Trustees of the Morton Grove Public Library met on Thursday June 12, 2025, in the Cooperman Room. All packets were distributed in person by Tuesday June 10, 2025. An agenda was posted in the Library and to the Library website 48 hours prior to the meeting, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act.

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by President Macejak.

Those answering roll call were Trustees Hussain, Macejak, Moldofsky, and Pelletier.

Absent was Trustees Flores and Jost.

Also present: Executive Director Pamela Leffler and Business Manager Leighton Shell.

Members of the Public Present: Michael Skilton and Allan Boutell.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

There were no public comments related to agenda items.

NEW BUSINESS

Presentation of the 2024 Audit - Martha Trotter, Sikich LLC

Martha Trotter from Sikich LLC presented the 2024 audit report to the Board of Trustees.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA OF JUNE 12, 2025

A motion to approve the Consent Agenda of June 12, 2025, which included Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting May 8, 2025, the Financial Reports for May 2025, and the Executive Director's vacation request, was made by President Macejak and seconded by Trustee Pelletier.

Ayes: Trustees Hussain, Macejak, Moldofsky, and Pelletier.

Absent: Trustees Flores and Jost.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

President Macejak mentioned to the Board that when she was in the library recently, she overheard a patron say to Access Services, "You have newspapers and magazines in every language! This is such a special library."

She also wanted to wish departing staff member Polivio Jara the best of luck.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance was covered earlier in the meeting. Facilities will be discussed under Unfinished Business. The Policy Committee is scheduled to meet in August.

STAFF REPORTS

Executive Director Leffler had nothing to add to her written report.

President Macejak stated that she really enjoyed reading about the library connecting with the teen patrons in the Adult and Teen Services report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Bathroom Renovation

Director Leffler reported that she received the proposed bathroom renovation budget from SMC just that day and wanted to share it with the Board. It was in line with what she was planning on spending. SMC should be sending the bid documents to her within a few days so they can be posted. The bid opening is scheduled for July 11th and the Board will make final approval at the August meeting.

Trustee Moldofsky expressed concern about how future tariffs could affect the project budget. Director Leffler reported that she had brought that up with John Shales approximately a month prior, and he did not think it would be an issue at that time.

Trustee Moldofsky asked for clarification on the Alternate columns in the budget document. Director Leffler explained that these were optional additional work that could be done if the primary project does not use up all the budgeted funds.

PUBLIC COMMENTS NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Member of the public Michael Skilton asked how many applications the library received for the vacant trustee position. Director Leffler informed him that they had received thirteen applications, although one applicant appears to reside outside of Morton Grove and is therefore ineligible.

Member of the public Allan Boutell introduced himself as a new resident of Morton Grove who wanted to learn more about the community.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – TRUSTEE CANDIDATE APPLICATION REVIEW

President Macejak made a motion to go into Executive Session for "...the selection of a person to fill a public office, as defined in this Act, including a vacancy in a public office, when the public body is given power to appoint under law or ordinance," as allowed per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(3). Trustee Pelletier seconded the motion.

Ayes: Trustees Macejak, Moldofsky, Pelletier, and Hussain.

Absent: Trustees Flores and Jost.

The Board moved into Executive Session at 7:37 p.m.

President Macejak called the meeting back into open session at 8:56 p.m.

Absent was Trustees Flores and Jost.	
Also present: Executive Director Pamela Leffler and Business Manager Leighton Shell.	
COMMUNICATIONS There was no communication to report.	
ADJOURNMENT The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 p.m. by President Macejak.	
APPROVED: President	7/10/2025 Date
ATTEST: Lambda L Suf Secretary	7/10/2025 Date

Those answering roll call were Trustees Hussain, Macejak, Moldofsky, and Pelletier.