

SALEM-SOUTH LYON DISTRICT LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Draft Minutes of Regular Board Meeting
Monday, March 18, 2026

President: Denise Stacer
Treasurer: Daniel Siivola
At Large: Pat Peruski; Russell Sims; Erin Petricca
Director: Kathy Merucci
Assistant Director: Kathleen Hutchinson
Head of IT: Kevin Campbell

Vice President: Linda Hamilton
Secretary: Hattie Maguire

A. Call meeting to order and verify quorum (26-164)

President Stacer called the meeting to order in the Olson Meeting Room at the Salem-South Lyon District Library at 7:00 p.m.

Present: D. Stacer, L. Hamilton, D. Siivola, R. Sims, E. Petricca, P. Peruski, K. Campbell, K. Merucci, N. Pratt, K. Hutchinson

K. Campbell - Recording Secretary
C. Bosshard – Library Staff
L. Brusstar – Library Staff
K. Hill – Staff Representative

B. Approval of agenda (26-165V)

Motion to accept the agenda was made by L. Hamilton seconded by P. Peruski

Yes: 6;

No: 0.

Motion Carried.

C. Open Budget Hearing (26-166)

Motion to open the Budget hearing by L. Hamilton, Seconded by D. Siivola

R. Sims: Yes

D. Siivola: Yes

L. Hamilton: Yes

P. Peruski: Yes

D. Stacer: Yes

E. Petricca: Yes

D. Presentation of 2026-2027 Budget and Tax Rate Request for the period July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027 (26-167)

E. Public Comment (26-168)

There was no public comment

F. Close Budget Hearing (26-169)

Motion to close the budget hearing by L. Hamilton, Seconded by D. Siivola

R. Sims: Yes

D. Siivola: Yes

L. Hamilton: Yes

P. Peruski: Yes

D. Stacer: Yes

E. Petricca: Yes

G. Budget

1. Approve the 2026-2027 Levy (26-170V)

Motion to approve the levy by L Hamilton, Seconded E. Petricca

1.0196 - Operating (Perpetual)

0.4525 - Operating (Expires 12/31/2033)

Yes:6

No: 0

Motion Carried

2. Adopt the 2026-2027 Budget (26-171V)

Motion to approve the 2026-2027 budget by L. Hamilton, Seconded by R. Sims

Yes: 6;

No: 0

Motion Carried.

H. Introduction of guests (26-172)

Guests introduced by K. Merucci

I. Approval of past minutes:

1. Regular Board Meeting on April 27, 2026 (26-173V)

Motion to approve the minutes for the April 27th board meeting by L. Hamilton, Seconded
by D. Siivola

Yes: 6;

No: 0.

Motion Carried.

J. Public Comment (26-174)

There was no public comment

K. Friends of the Library Report (26-175)

Submitted and filed by A. King

L. Financial Report

1. Acceptance of the April 2026 Financial Report (26-176V)

Motion to accept the April 2026 Financial report by L. Hamilton; seconded by E. Petricca

Yes: 6;

No: 0.

Motion Carried.

M. Approval for Payroll Report April 2026 (26-177V)

Motion to accept the April 2026 payroll report by L. Hamilton; seconded by R. Sims.

Yes: 6;

No: 0.

Motion Carried.

N. Approval for Board Review of Bills and credit card purchases for April 2026 (26-178V)

Motion to approve the April 2026 bills and credit card purchases by L. Hamilton; seconded by E. Peticca

Yes: 6;

No: 0.

Motion Carried.

O. Director's Report (26-179)

Submitted and filled by the director

P. Staff Reports (26-180)

Submitted and filled by staff

Q. Old Business

1. Update for Adult Renovation (26-181)

R. New Business

1. Approval and acceptance of gift from The Friends of the Library (26-182V)

Motion to accept the Friends gifts towards the sprinkler system and an additional shed for \$12,542 by L. Hamilton, Seconded by D. Siivola

Yes: 6;

No: 0.

Motion Carried.

S. Correspondence and communications (26-183)

T. Committee Reports

1. Advocacy Marketing

- a. Updates from the meeting on April 20, 2026 (26-184)

2. Facilities (26-185)

3. Budget (26-186)

4. Policy Committee

- a. Reviewed Policies

1. Policies reviewed with changes: 203, 217, 300, 400, 401, 402, 407, and 410 (26-187V)

Policy 203 be tabled and brought back to the June Board Meeting with the procedure for Flex Time and Merit Pay.

Motion that policies 400 and 410 be approved as presented but will be revised and brought back to the June board meeting. Policies 217, 300, 401, 402, 407 be approved as presented by L. Hamilton, Seconded by D. Siivola

Yes: 6;

No: 0.

Motion Carried.

2. Policies reviewed with no changes: 218, 219, 220.0, 221.0, 224.0, and 301.0 (26-188V) - No vote

5. Professional Development (26-189)

U. Anticipated Closed Session

1. Anticipated discussion and motion for an upgrade to ingress and egress (26-190V)

Move that we go into closed session including K. Merucci, K. Hutchinson, K. Campbell, and N. Pratt at 8:11 by L. Hamilton, Seconded by D. Siivola

P. Peruski: Yes

L. Hamilton: Yes

D. Siivola: Yes

R. Sims: Yes

E. Peruski: Yes

D. Stacer: Yes

Motion to end closed session at 9:02 by L. Hamilton, Seconded by D. Siivola

P. Peruski: Yes

L. Hamilton: Yes

D. Siivola: Yes

R. Sims: Yes

E. Peruski: Yes

D. Stacer: Yes

Motion to approve the not to exceed \$22,000 for the replacement of the staff entranceway by L. Hamilton, Seconded by D. Siivola.

Yes: 6;

No: 0.

Motion Carried.

V. Board Comments (26-191)

There were board comments.

W. Adjournment (26-192)

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 PM

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the minutes of a special budget and regular meeting of the Salem-South Lyon District Library, Counties of Oakland and Washtenaw, State of Michigan, held on March 18, 2026, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meeting Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended, and

Executive Order 2020-75 and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

Respectfully submitted, Kevin Campbell, Recording Secretary