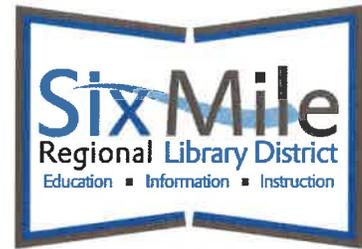


Board Meeting Minutes  
 January 13, 2026  
 2001 Delmar Avenue, Granite City, IL 62040



**Summary of Selected Motions**

Agenda Item	Motion	Result
1	Call to order at 6:00 P.M.	
2	Approve the Agenda as Presented	Approved
4	Approval of Minutes –November 15, 2025, Special Board Meeting as Printed Approval of Minutes –November 18, 2025, Regular Board Meeting as Printed	Approved Approved
5a	Approval Payment of Bills – November 2025 in the amount of \$197,040.89 Approval Payment of Bills – December 2025 in the amount of \$169,804.48	Roll call-Approved Roll call-Approved
5b	Accept Financial Statements – November & December 2025	Roll call-Approved
8a	Adopt Resolution 2026-001 to partner with the Agency for Community Transit, Community Action Grants Program	Roll call-Approved
8b	Approve the Update to the Bylaws	Roll call-Approved
11b	Approve the FY2026 Illinois Public Library Per Capita Grant application	Roll call-Approved
11c	Approve the FY2024 Public Library Per Capita Grant Expenditures Report	Roll call-Approved
12	Adjournment of the Board Meeting at 7:42 P.M.	

1. **Call to order** - President McDonnell called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.
  - a. **Roll Call of Board Members Attending and Identification of others in attendance**

Members Present:

Ms. Linda McDonnell	President
Ms. Rebecca Watson	Vice President
Ms. Isabel Stockman	Treasurer
Ms. Chelsea Asadorian	Trustee
Ms. Nancy Smallie	Trustee
Mr. Benjamin DeShon	Trustee

Members Absent:

Ms. Aimee Villet	Secretary
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Others Present:

Ms. Tina Hubert	Executive Director
Ms. Kari Fischer	Administrative & Marketing Coordinator
Ms. Betsy Mahoney	Assistant Director / Johnson Road Manager
Ms. Kathy Condon-Boettcher	Assistant Director / Delmar Avenue Manager
Mr. Patrick Carney	Facilities Manager
Mr. Tallin Curran	IT Manager

2. **Approve Agenda**

Motion: Watson Second: Stockman

**APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED**

Motion carried

3. **Public Comments – None**

- a. **Request to appeal ban – None**

4. **Approval of Minutes**

Motion: Asadorian Second: Watson

**APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 15, 2025, SPECIAL BOARD MEETING AS PRINTED**

Motion carried

Motion: Watson Second: Smallie

**APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 18, 2025, REGULAR BOARD MEETING AS PRINTED**

Motion carried

5. **Financial**

- a. **Approve Payment of Bills**

Motion: Stockman Second: Watson

**APPROVE THE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT AS PRESENTED: NOVEMBER 2025 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$197,040.89**

Roll Call:

Ms. Asadorian	Yes	Mr. DeShon	Yes
Ms. McDonnell	Yes	Ms. Smallie	Yes
Ms. Stockman	Yes	Ms. Villet	Absent
Ms. Watson	Yes		

Motion carried

Motion: Stockman Second: DeShon

**APPROVE THE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT AS PRESENTED: DECEMBER 2025 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$169,804.48**

Roll Call:

Ms. Asadorian	Yes	Mr. DeShon	Yes
Ms. McDonnell	Yes	Ms. Smallie	Yes
Ms. Stockman	Yes	Ms. Villet	Absent
Ms. Watson	Yes		

Motion carried

**b. Approve Financial Statements**

Motion: Smallie Second: DeShon

**ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR NOVEMBER & DECEMBER 2025 AS PRESENTED**

Roll Call:

Ms. Asadorian	Yes	Mr. DeShon	Yes
Ms. McDonnell	Yes	Ms. Smallie	Yes
Ms. Stockman	Yes	Ms. Villet	Absent
Ms. Watson	Yes		

Motion carried.

**6. Correspondence**

- Copy of notification that our Reaching Forward South program proposal was accepted; Ms. Hanke-Young, Mr. Curran, and Director Hubert will present "Partnering with Local Schools to Boost Public Library Engagement, discussing our Intergovernmental Agreements with GCSD#9 and our distribution of library cards through the High School Media Center and soon the elementary schools.
- Copy of Internal news
  - Cataloging Assistant, Lisa Spanberger retired effective January 5th; Lisa was with SMRLD since April 2015 (about 10 years, 9 months); Aide Sophia Strehl successfully bid on the open position and started on January 12th.
  - Notice from AFSCME regarding union member dues increases effective January 1st.
  - Tax Preparation at SMRLD info.
- Copy of Email
  - A nice story from Storytime
  - Big Thanks from Madison County Law Library for our hosting the Wills and Power of Attorney clinic
  - Board candidate asking how to improve her chances if another trustee seat opens
  - Friends of the Library staffing a table at the Reindeer Party
- Copies of Receipts of Funding:
  - 10/27/2025 Madison County Treasurer, property tax collected \$446,325.55
  - 1/7/2026 Madison County Treasurer, property tax collected \$159,434.18
  - Donations received
    - \$150 in memory of Gale Ledbetter
    - \$500 in memory of James & Peggy Pryor
  - Cost comparison for 2025-2026 LIRA membership
  - Proof of Service in the Matter of the Estate of Donna L. Honnell, deceased, and accompanying Last Will and Testament
- Copy of Facebook posts mentioning the library
  - My Kindle Girl Era FB Group 1/9/2026 – local customer asking for recommendations for her 10-year-old daughter who just got a Kindle Colorsoft for her birthday and response with a link

to the SMRLD e-streaming information webpage (<https://www.smrlid.org/resources-2/e-books-2/>).

- Copy of Legal requirements
  - Notice of receipt of trustees' update from Illinois State Library.
  - Notice from Madison County Clerk that the tax levy is due on or before Tuesday, December 30, 2025. Ours was hand-delivered on December 8, 2025.
  - Reminder that the FY2026 Public Library Per Capita Grant application and FY 2024 Expenditures Report are due January 30, 2026.
  - Notice of receipt of IPLAR FY2025 from Illinois State Library with correspondence.
  - Confirmation of completion of the annual certification process required by the Illinois State Library for library system membership.
  - Certificate of Status of Exempt Property form completed, signed, and emailed to the Madison County Board of Review on January 5, 2026. Email confirmation of receipt.
  - 2025 Levy Confirmation checked, signed, and emailed to Madison County Clerk on January 7, 2026. Email confirmation of receipt.
  - Notice of 2026 Mandatory Annual Certification and ILL Traffic Survey; ours was submitted on January 2, 2026 (confirmation above).
- Copies of items appearing in the media
- Copies of 9 Incident reports with two ban letters and one letter of final warning
- Copies of information from other organizations
  - 2026 Granite City Council Meeting dates
  - Guide to the Secretary of State Literacy Effort 2026 handbook
  - 16th Annual Steelworkers Organization of Active Retirees Scholarship Awards Ad Book

**7. Executive Director's Report**

a. **Succession planning** – Director Hubert presented her written intent to retire effective March 9, 2027, with her final working day on January 22, 2027. Possible next steps include; consider hiring a consultant (firm) to plan and manage the director search, or establish a search committee to determine a course of action, what will be included in the new contract, when advertising should begin.

- Cinema commercial now showing “Stepping Up Granite City v3” with a segment featuring SMRLD
- Friday, 1/16 morning quarterly staff meeting, libraries open at 1:00 P.M.; topics include homebound delivery service, Illinois Talking Book & Braille Service, Chestnut overdose awareness & Narcan distribution team training, new timeclock software in ADP, and zero-tolerance behaviors.
- The process for updating the Union contract will begin by contacting our employment attorney to schedule a meeting with the Union Representative.
- NAACP complaint has been referred to our attorney, no further action has been reported.

**8. New Business**

a. **Resolution to partner with the Agency for Community Transit, Community Action Grants Program**

Motion: Watson Second: Smallie

**ADOPT RESOLUTION 2026-001**

Roll Call:

Ms. Asadorian	Yes	Mr. DeShon	Yes
Ms. McDonnell	Yes	Ms. Smallie	Yes
Ms. Stockman	Yes	Ms. Villet	Absent
Ms. Watson	Yes		

Motion carried.

b. **Update to Bylaws**

Motion: Asadorian Second: DeShon

**APPROVE THE UPDATE TO THE BYLAWS**

Roll Call:

Ms. Asadorian	Yes	Mr. DeShon	Yes
Ms. McDonnell	Yes	Ms. Smallie	Yes
Ms. Stockman	Yes	Ms. Villet	Absent
Ms. Watson	Yes		

Motion carried.

**9. Unfinished Business – None**

**10. Reports**

- a. **Friends of the Library** – None
- b. **IHLS** – SMRLD Trustee President McDonnell gave an overview of the recent IHLS board meeting. Details can be found on the IHLS website at <https://www.illinoisheartland.org/about/board>

**11. Board Orientation**

- a. **Public Library Association Conference** – Trustees will let us know if they are interested in attending at the next board meeting

- b. **FY2026 Illinois Public Library Per Capita and Equalization Aid Grant Application**

Motion: Stockman Second: Smallie

**APPROVE THE FY2026 ILLINOIS PUBLIC LIBRARY PER CAPITA GRANT APPLICATION**

Roll Call:

Ms. Asadorian	Yes	Mr. DeShon	Yes
Ms. McDonnell	Yes	Ms. Smallie	Yes
Ms. Stockman	Yes	Ms. Villet	Absent
Ms. Watson	Yes		

Motion carried.

- c. **FY2024 Public Library Per Capita Grant Expenditures Report**

Motion: Watson Second: DeShon

**APPROVE THE FY2024 PUBLIC LIBRARY PER CAPITA GRANT EXPENDITURES REPORT**

Roll Call:

Ms. Asadorian	Yes	Mr. DeShon	Yes
Ms. McDonnell	Yes	Ms. Smallie	Yes
Ms. Stockman	Yes	Ms. Villet	Absent
Ms. Watson	Yes		

Motion carried.

- d. **Social Media** – Elected Officials social media use legal overview presented by Mr. Curran

**12. Adjournment** - President McDonnell declared the meeting adjourned at 7:42 P.M.



Linda McDonnell  
Board of Trustees President

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Aimee Villet  
Board of Trustees Secretary

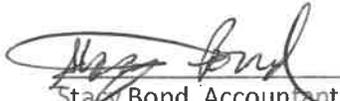
**SIX MILE REGIONAL LIBRARY DISTRICT**

2001 Delmar Avenue  
Granite City, IL 62040  
618-452-6238

**Submitted for Payment:**

**January 2026**

Accounts Payable: Royal Banks Checks 11902 - 11928	\$	30,604.17
Issued Monthly Payments - Royal Banks Checking	\$	51,890.44
Issued Monthly Payments - SMRLD Credit Card	\$	2,145.26
Issued Monthly Payments - Busey Bank Checking	\$	9,321.27
Payroll (Net Pay)	\$	77,337.82
Payroll (Taxes & Deductions)	\$	29,836.84
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>201,135.80</b>

  
Stacy Bond, Accountant

2/5/2026

Date

**Approved By:**

  
Tina Hubert, Director

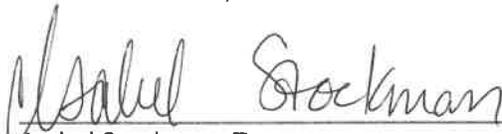
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Date

  
Linda McDonnell, President

2-10-26

Date

  
Isabel Stockman, Treasurer

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