

Board Meeting Minutes  
February 10, 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 – January 13, 2026, Regular Board Meeting as Printed	Approved
5a	Approval Payment of Bills – January 2026 in the amount of \$201,135.80	Roll call-Approved
5b	Accept Financial Statements – January 2026	Roll call-Approved
5c	Authorize the Executive Director to sign any applications, acknowledgements, designations of beneficiary, allocations or reallocations, withdrawals, surrenders, annuity benefit elections, claims, or any other request with respect to any such annuity contract or life insurance policy on behalf of the entity as owner.	Roll call-Approved
7a	Approve the Executive Director’s Intent to Retire	Roll call-Approved
7a	Enter closed session at 6:54 P.M. in accordance with 5ILCS 120/2(c)1 The appointment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body	Roll call-Approved
7a	Return to open session at 7:16 P.M.	Roll call-Approved
7a	Trustee Asadorian will lead and Treasurer Stockman will assist in the search for the next Executive Director	Roll call-Approved
9a	Motion to release the executive session minutes and destroy the recordings in accordance with 5 ILCS 120/2c: August 2, 2024, section 3, discussion of trustee applicants, interviews, and deliberations for the open trustee positions	Roll call-Approved
12	Adjournment of the Board Meeting at 7:32 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: Smallie

**APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED**

Motion carried

3. **Public Comments – None**

- a. **Request to appeal ban – None**

4. **Approval of Minutes**

Motion: DeShon    Second: Watson

**APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 13, 2026, REGULAR BOARD MEETING AS PRINTED**

Motion carried

6:03 P.M. Trustee Asadorian entered the meeting.

6:04 P.M. Ms. Mahoney entered the meeting.

5. **Financial**

- The auditors will make their presentation of the annual audit at the March board meeting.

- a. **Approve Payment of Bills**

Motion: Stockman    Second: Smallie

**APPROVE THE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT AS PRESENTED: JANUARY 2026 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$201,135.80**

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: Stockman Second: DeShon

**ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR JANUARY 2026 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.

**c. Authorize the Executive Director to sign documents on behalf of SMRLD for MassMutual Ascend Life Insurance Company**

Motion: Asadorian Second: Smallie

**AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO SIGN ANY APPLICATIONS, ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS, DESIGNATIONS OF BENEFICIARY, ALLOCATIONS OR REALLOCATIONS, WITHDRAWALS, SURRENDERS, ANNUITY BENEFIT ELECTIONS, CLAIMS, OR ANY OTHER REQUEST WITH RESPECT TO ANY SUCH ANNUITY CONTRACT OR LIFE INSURANCE POLICY ON BEHALF OF THE ENTITY AS OWNER.**

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 FOIA request dated February 3, 2026, from Judiciocracy.com regarding attorney bills from January 1, 2024, through July 18, 2025, with response.
- Copy of sad news regarding the passing of former SMRLD employee, John Mefford, he worked at the library for almost 36 years when he retired in 2013.
- Copy of Internal news
  - Received resignation notice from Cole Tedder, he is accepting a job elsewhere with more hours
- Copies of Receipts of Funding:
  - 1/16/2026, City of Granite City, 2 checks totaling \$99,433.50, set aside for future bookmobile
    - RT 203 TIF Surplus Distribution \$84,701.36
    - Closing Out Downtown TIF Surplus Distribution \$14,732.14
- Copy of Facebook posts mentioning the library
  - 62040 LLC post January 22: Talitha Gray Jackson asks where to have items faxed, several people suggested the library; posted a link to the SMRLD webpage that discusses print from home or mobile, copy, scan, or fax
  - Granite City Moms post January 17: Brittany Bridges announces that "if you have a kiddo between the ages of 0-5, Madison County has collaborated with Dolly Parton Imagination Library. Trustee Stockman posted a link to our webpage to sign up for the program.
  - Granite City School District #9 – several posts about programs offered by the library
- Copy of Legal requirements
  - From the Madison County Clerk and Election Authority, information on voter registration deadline
- Copies of items appearing in the media
- Copies of 8 Incident reports with 1 ban letter and 1 police trespass notice for a previously banned person

- Copies of information from other organizations
  - Mayor's Speaking Series Save the Date: March 10, 2026, doors open at 5 PM, program begins at 6 PM (discussion on Data Centers)
  - Rotary 32nd Annual Mayors' Prayer Breakfast: Tuesday, March 24, 7 AM

**7. Executive Director's Report**

- Agreed to speak at the Township's Senior Breakfast again this year, on May 12th
- Will be ordering T-shirts for staff and board for the Rt 66 centennial this year
- At last night's Chamber Board meeting, County Board Chair Chris Slusser and Granite City Economic Developer Cathy Hamilton spoke to the group about Data Centers.
- Speaking of Data Centers, at some point, SMRLD may be asked to sign an agreement not to max out property tax levies
- On Saturday, April 18th, the Library will be hosting and promoting an Earth Day event to reuse, recycle, and renew.

**a. Succession planning**

Motion: Asadorian Second: Smallie

**APPROVE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S INTENT TO RETIRE**

Roll Call:

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

Motion: Stockman Second: Smallie

**ENTER CLOSED SESSION AT 6:54 P.M. IN ACCORDANCE WITH 5ILCS 120/2(C)1 THE APPOINTMENT, COMPENSATION, DISCIPLINE, PERFORMANCE, OR DISMISSAL OF SPECIFIC EMPLOYEES OF THE PUBLIC BODY**

Roll Call:

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

Motion carried.

Motion: Smallie Second: Watson

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION AT 7:16 P.M.**

Roll Call:

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

Motion carried.

Motion: Stockman Second: Watson

**TRUSTEE ASADORIAN WILL LEAD AND TREASURER STOCKMAN WILL ASSIST IN THE SEARCH FOR THE NEXT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Roll Call:

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

Motion carried.

**8. New Business – None**

**9. Unfinished Business**

**a. Executive Session Review 5 ILCS 120/2c & 120/2.06d**

Motion: Stockman Second: Watson

**MOTION TO RELEASE THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES AND DESTROY THE RECORDINGS IN ACCORDANCE WITH 5 ILCS 120/2C: AUGUST 2, 2024, SECTION 3, DISCUSSION OF TRUSTEE APPLICANTS, INTERVIEWS, AND DELIBERATIONS FOR THE OPEN TRUSTEE POSITIONS**

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.

**10. Reports**

- a. **Friends of the Library** – Will hold a book donation drive at Johnson Road as a part of our Saturday, April 18<sup>th</sup> Earth Day event
- b. **IHLS** – SMRLD Trustee President McDonnell reported that the recent IHLS board meeting was canceled due to weather. Details can be found on the IHLS website at <https://www.illinoisheartland.org/about/board>

**11. Board Orientation**

- Mayors' Prayer Breakfast: Treasurer Stockman would like to attend
- PLA in-person or virtual: Treasurer Stockman would like to attend virtually; President McDonnell will attend in person as will Managers Bellizzi and Curran
- OMA and Annual Harassment Training Reminders

**12. Adjournment** - President McDonnell declared the meeting adjourned at 7:32 P.M.

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Linda McDonnell  
Board of Trustees President

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Aimee Villet  
Board of Trustees Secretary

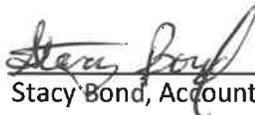
**SIX MILE REGIONAL LIBRARY DISTRICT**

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

**Submitted for Payment:**

**February 2026**

Accounts Payable: Royal Banks Checks 11948 - 11966	\$	24,694.00
Issued Monthly Payments - Royal Banks Checking	\$	22,695.28
Issued Monthly Payments - SMRLD Credit Card	\$	2,398.48
Issued Monthly Payments - Busey Bank Checking	\$	9,321.27
Payroll (Net Pay)	\$	75,862.53
Payroll (Taxes & Deductions)	\$	29,118.05
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>164,089.61</b>

  
Stacy Bond, Accountant

3/5/2026  
Date

**Approved By:**

  
Tina Hubert, Director

3-10-26  
Date

  
Linda McDonnell, President

3-10-26  
Date

  
Isabel Stockman, Treasurer

3/10/26  
Date