

Board Orientation Minutes

Omaha Public Library

10/10/2025 2:00 PM

@ Library Administration Building, 3020 S 84th Street, Omaha, NE 68124

Attendance

Present:

Members: Mikki Frost, Jen Rae Hein-Wang, Cecil Hicks, Clarice Jackson, Dan Lonergan, DeJuan Reddick

Absent:

Members: Maria Arriaga, Joseph Bradley, Rochelle Mullen

Guests: Tim Dolan, Laura Marlane

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Omaha Public Library Board of Trustees met on Friday, October 10, 2025 at the Library Administration Building, 3020 S. 84th Street. The meeting was called to order at 2:10pm. Julie Wetherell, Recording Secretary, took the Roll Call:

ROLL CALL

Present:

Members: Mikki Frost, Jen Rae Hein-Wang, Cecil Hicks, Clarice Jackson, Dan Lonergan, DeJuan Reddick
Guests: Laura Marlane, Executive Library Director, Tim Dolan

Absent:

Members: Maria Arriaga, Joseph Bradley, Rochelle Mullen

2. CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION - NOTIFICATION OF OPEN MEETINGS ACT

This meeting has been advertised in the Daily Record, the Official Newspaper of the City of Omaha, on October 7, 2025, and is held in accordance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Act. A copy of the Open Meetings Act is available on the table and on the wall.

3. ORIENTATION

Opening Remarks

Laura Marlane gave the opening remarks.

Overview of Open Meetings Act

Tim Dolan explained the Open Meetings Act.

OPL By the Numbers

Theresa Jehlik presented a slide show which showed numerous statistics regarding library usage and other library information.

OPL - Past, Present, and Future

Laura Marlane highlighted the history and progress of OPL as well as the direction it is heading.

Executive Team - Roles and Responsibilities

Rachel, Stacy and Elizabeth explained their roles and duties at OPL.

4. PUBLIC INPUT, COMMENTS, AND QUESTIONS

Any member of the public may address the Board on a topic of relevance to the Omaha Public Library, after identifying themselves by name and address for public record. Persons are to be brief and to limit themselves to five minutes or less. The President, or presiding officer, may use reasonable discretion to limit or extend a speaker's time to avoid redundancy, to assure a thorough public discussion on matters before the Board, and to end discussion. Trustees may engage in questions and discussion of any topic presented, but any desired action will be placed on a future agenda.

5. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Hicks, SECOND by Lonergan, that the meeting of the Omaha Public Library Board of Trustees be adjourned.

ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Frost, Hicks, Jackson, Lonergan,

Reddick Nays: None

MOTION APPROVED 5-0

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:45 pm.