Genoa Public Library District

Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes

June 15, 2026

I. CALL TO ORDER – Meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Board Vice-President Donna Bradshaw. Trustees present: Mary Keys, Steven Veeneman, and Jennifer Lechelt. Trustees absent: Jim Hansen. Also present: Library Director Jen Barton. *Due to Board President Jim Hansen's absence, Donna Bradshaw was Acting President for the meeting.*

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – Steven moved to approve the agenda as presented. Second by Mary. Vote: Yes/4, No/0

III. PUBLIC COMMENT – None

IV. PRESENTATIONS – None

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Steven moved to approve the minutes from May 18, 2026. Second by Jennifer. Vote: Yes/4, No/0

VI. CORRESPONDENCE
   i. Library Director Jen Barton read a letter from Secretary of State Alexi Giannoulias awarding the library a Per Capita grant for 2026-27 in the amount of $8,947.10.
   ii. Library Director Jen Barton shared the notice sent by the City of Genoa regarding the radium levels tested in local water.

VII. TREASURER'S REPORT – Steven moved that $25,525.57 be placed on the record for audit for the month of May. Second by Jennifer. A roll call vote was taken: Steven-yes, Mary-yes, Jennifer-yes, Donna-yes.

VIII. OLD BUSINESS
   i. Items on the Project List were reviewed, and the list will be updated to reflect progress and completion of current items.

IX. NEW BUSINESS
   i. Steven moved to approve the Working Budget for FY2026-27 as presented. Second by Jennifer. A roll call vote was taken: Steven-yes, Mary-yes, Jennifer-yes, Donna-yes.
   ii. Library Director Jen Barton presented her staff salary recommendation to the Board for 2026-27.

X. CLOSED SESSION - At 7:35 pm, Steven made a motion to go into closed session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120 of the Open Meetings Act for the consideration of 5 ILCS 120/2(c)1 to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel, including hearing testimony of a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel to determine its validity. Second by Donna. Vote: Yes/4, No/0. Closed session was adjourned at 8:10 pm. Open session was resumed at 8:13 pm and the following motion was made: Steven moved to increase the library director's salary 6% to $60,080.80 beginning on July 1, 2026. Second by Donna. A roll call vote was taken: Steven-yes, Mary-yes, Jennifer-yes, Donna-yes.

XI. STANDING COMMITTEES
   a. Finance – None
   b. Technology – None
   c. Facilities – None
   d. Policy - None

XII. DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND MONTHLY STATISTICS – Presented

XIII. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS – None

XIV. ADDITIONAL DISCUSSION
   i. Library Director Jen Barton distributed a copy of a completed Trustee Vacancy Application form from an interested resident to be put forth on the July 20, 2026 regular meeting agenda.

XV. CLOSED SESSION – None

XVI. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned in due form at 8:49 pm.

Next Meeting: July 20, 2026