

FREEPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
April 8th, 2026

I. CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Freeport Public Library Board of Trustees was held in the Library Boardroom on April 8th, 2026. Board President Mary Kaufman presided and called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

Notice is hereby given that a majority of a quorum of the members of City Council of the City of Freeport may be present at the above-referenced meeting. No action on the part of the City Council will be taken.

Trustees Present

Al Evon, Mary Kaufman, Tasha Mazique, Julie Reynolds, Roger Schulz, Michelle Swalve

Trustees Absent

Betty Butler, Lucas Kramer, Alan Greene

Also present, Executive Director Emily Schaub and Ky Eckert acting as the Recording Secretary.

II. CHANGES/CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

(Reynolds/Schulz) Motion to approve April 8, 2026 Agenda.
7 in favor/0 opposed. Motion carries.

III. QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC/MEDIA

None.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(Evon/Schulz) Motion to approve March 11, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes.
7 in favor/0 opposed. Motion carries.

V. FINANCIAL REPORT

(Evon/Reynolds) Motion to approve March 2026 Financial Report.
7 in favor/0 opposed. Motion carries.

VI. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Kaufman noted great things in Schaub's first month including Schaub's Freepod interview and making the rounds in different community groups.

VII. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Schaub reviewed her monthly report with the Board. She noted important meetings and networking, as well as several in-progress facility projects and various Library statistics.

VIII. MANAGEMENT REPORTS

Schaub reviewed each department's monthly reports. See reports for Adult, Circulation, and Youth highlights and statistics.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

Staff Training Day

(Reynolds/Schulz) Motion to approve Library Closure 9am - 12pm for Staff Training on Friday, May 8th, 2026. 7 in favor/0 opposed. Motion carries.

Roof Repair Proposal

The Board discussed the importance of financially preparing for big facility projects. Evon mentioned the Foundation's potential role in budgeting for those expenses as well.

(Schulz/Reynolds) Motion to approve moving forward with the lowest received bid, pending arrival of necessary additional quotes.

7 in favor/0 opposed. Motion carries.

Handicap Buttons for Douglas St. Entrance and Public Restrooms

Kaufman suggested reaching out to RAMP for guidance on this as well. Motion tabled.

X. DISCUSSION

Kaufman reminded the Board of her absence at next month's meeting.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

(Schulz/Reynolds) Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:28pm.

7 in favor/0 opposed. Motion carries.

Submitted by Ky Eckert