

PATTERSON LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

July 9, 2026

Attendance: P. Holt, J. Johnson, B. Kittle, M. Hegna, S. Rudnicki, C. Thomas, J. Spann, L. Dunn, L. Schofield, K. Richmond

Absent: T. Roets, C. Riedesel, A. Vilaro

1. Call to Order: S. Rudnicki called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

2. Endowment Report: Jeffrey McCormack of Manning & Napier presented the report.

3. Public Expression: none

4. May 2026 Minutes: The BOT would like to formally recognize the Bivens family for their annual \$2,000 donation to contribute to landscaping every spring. May minutes were approved and filed.

5. Library Director's Report: M. Hegna gave the report

- The 2025 Annual Report to NYS has been approved by CCLS and submitted.
- A new Accessibility, Privacy, and Communication Preferences webpage has been added to the library website as part of continuing work toward ADA website compliance.
- Willa Seehausen was hired as the 2026 Summer Youth Page.
- Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation Rural Library Grant is being worked on.
- The Archives Strategic Plan is moving into the implementation phase
- Chris Cooke met with S. Rudnicki, J. Johnson, and M. Hegna to discuss potential projects for the 2026 NYS Library Construction Grant application.

6. Treasurer's Report: P. Holt presented the report

Total income through June is \$213,000, which is 61% of the budgeted \$350,000 for the year.

7. Committee Reports:

- Finance Committee-** June 12 met with Manning and Napier to discuss a possible Endowment enhancement effort.

- It was decided that the Finance Committee should remain as is, without forming additional subcommittees with new people.

ii. Building & Grounds Committee- S. Rudnicki presented the report

- The Hands painted the front railing and the sculpture, which were sandblasted by Blast All from Jamestown. The sculpture is at the front NE corner of the building
- Bunting was put up for the July 4 holiday
- The doors were completed in the Main Reading Room to secure displays.
- New bike racks were installed at the front steps and also by the accessible entrance.
- Air conditioner maintenance was done. The one in the Main Reading Room is still not working. Company is checking on warranty and parts.

iii. Fundraising Committee

- Book Sale looks to be in good shape.
- Auction preparation is on schedule.

8. Unfinished Business

i. Discussion of Committee Structure and Proposed Bylaw Amendment-

S. Rudnicki presented

- The bylaws regarding committee structure will be kept as is.
- Finance committee will have 5 members

9. New Business

- i. Approval of Summer Youth Page Appointment-** A motion was made by J. Johnson to approve the hire of Willa Seehausen as the summer youth library page, all in favor.
- ii. Approval of New York State Annual Report 2025-** B. Kittle made a motion to approve the NYS Annual Report for 2025, K. Richmond seconded, all in favor.
- iii. Approval of Trustee Appointment: David Martin-** K. Richmond made a motion to approve David Martin as a Trustee, J. Johnson seconded. One abstained, all others in favor. Motion passed.

10. Public Expression

11. Adjournment- S. Rudnicki adjourned the meeting at 7:26