

Galway Public Library, Library Board Meeting

Wednesday, April 15, 2026

In attendance: Board of Trustees: Cate La Barre, Kat McCleneghen, Santina Florio, Jane Behrens, Jeremy Womer, Bethany Thompson, Stephanie Todd Payton; Library Director Deb Flint, Treasurer Jim Hodsoll.

Meeting called to order by Cate La Barre at 6:35 p.m.

Public Comment

Minutes of Prior Meetings:

Motion by Jeremy Womer, second by Stephanie Todd Payton, to accept the minutes of 2/18/26.

Vote: Yes 4, No 0, Abstain 3 - Motion carried

Motion by Jane Behrens, second by Jeremy Womer, to accept the minutes of 3/18/26.

Vote: Yes 6, No 0, Abstain 1 - Motion carried

Treasurer's Report

Motion by Stephanie Todd Payton, second by Jane Behrens, to approve the expenditures listed in the registers below:

BSNB General Checking - 3/14/26 - 3/27/26

BSNB General Checking - 3/28/26 - 4/10/26

Operating Grants Checking - 1/1/26 - 3/31/26

Visa - 3/22/26 - 4/13/26

Receipts Log - 3/10/26 - 4/7/26

Vote: Yes 7, No 0 - Motion carried

GPL Foundation Report

Friends' Report

Capital Funds Ad Hoc Committee Report

Director's Report

Correspondence

Standing Committees

Buildings and Grounds

Finance

Personnel

Long-Range Plan

Public Relations

Unfinished Business

New Business

Annual Report

Motion by Jane Behrens, second by Kat McCleneghen, to approve the Galway 2026 Annual Report to the State as presented, with the stipulation/proviso that the Library Director is authorized to make any subsequent technical or clarifying corrections as may be required or instructed by the State for final acceptance.

Vote: Yes 7, No 0 - Motion carried

Election Workers & Election Clerk

Motion by Stephanie Todd Payton, second by Jane Behrens, to approve the appointment of Sharyn Kalinkewicz and Nanci Wilson as election inspectors on June 3, 2026, from 1:30 - 8:30 pm, at a rate of \$16.00 per hour. And to approve the appointment of Library Director Debra Flint as the Election Clerk.

Vote: Yes 7, No 0 - Motion carried

Newsletter

Motion by Jane Behrens, second by Stephanie Todd Payton, to approve the newsletter.

Vote: Yes 7, No 0 - Motion carried

Review of Finance Policy

SALS Annual Dinner

Resignation of President

Motion by Jane Behrens, second by Jeremy Womer, to accept the resignation of President Cate LaBarre, effective at the end of tonight's meeting.

Vote: Yes 7, No 0 - Motion carried

Nomination of New President

Motion by Bethany Thompson, second by Stephanie Todd Payton, to approve the nomination by the Personnel Committee of Kat McCleneghan as President, and Cate La Barre as Vice-President.

Vote: Yes 7, No 0 - Motion carried.

Motion by Stephanie Todd Payton, second by Jane Behrens, to enter Executive Session at 8:05 p.m.

Vote: Yes 7, No 0 - Motion carried.

Motion by Jeremy Womer, second by Stephanie Todd Payton, to return to regular session at 8:33 p.m.

Vote: Yes 7, No 0 - Motion carried.

Public Comment

Motion by Jeremy Womer, second by Bethany Thompson, to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Vote: Yes 7, No 0 - Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Santina Florio, Secretary