
OMAHA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES



Wednesday, March 15, 2023 @ 5:00 P.M.
Charles B. Washington Branch – 2868 Ames Avenue

ZOOM MEETING OPTION

The Board meeting will be available to watch via [Zoom](#) by any member of the public.

If you would like to speak on an agenda item through Zoom, email the [Recording Secretary, Jenna L. Garcia](#), with the following information by 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 14th:

- Name
- Address
- Item(s) you wish to speak on
- Proponent or opponent

You will receive a confirmation email once all of the above information is received.

Any member of the public may attend any Board meeting in person to speak on agenda items as well without prior registration.

CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call

CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION – NOTIFICATION OF OPEN MEETINGS ACT

2. This meeting has been advertised in the Daily Record, the Official Newspaper of the City of Omaha, on March 10, 2023, and is held in accordance with the [Nebraska Open Meetings Act](#). A copy of the [Nebraska Open Meetings Act](#) is available on the table and on the wall.

BRANCH REPORT

3. Amy Wenzl, Branch Manager

DEPARTMENT MANAGER REPORT/PRESENTATION

4. Linda Miles, Facilities Manager

ACTION ITEMS

Any person who has been invited to speak or has requested to speak before the Trustees is requested to be brief and to limit his or her comments to five minutes or less, after identifying themselves by name and address for public record. When more than one person wishes to address the Trustees on a Consent Agenda item or Resolution, the proponents will be invited to speak first, followed by the opponents. The proponents will be given a brief period for rebuttal of any new information presented during the opponent's presentation, after which public comments will be concluded. Trustees will ask any questions at the conclusion of any public comments, prior to voting. 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.

This Agenda, which shall be kept continually current, shall be available for public inspection online at www.omahalibrary.org.

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RESOLUTIONS

Public comment and Board approval is today.

5. [Approval of minutes – February 15, 2023](#)
 6. [Res. 2023-03 Approval of new hours of operation for Omaha Public Library facilities](#)
 7. [Res. 2023-04 Approval of lease agreement between Community Information Trust \(dba Do Space\) and the City of Omaha, for certain real estate located within Milton R. Abrahams Branch Library](#)
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REPORTS

8. [Director's Report](#) – Laura Marlane (Executive Director)
9. Advisory Committee Report
10. Neighborhood Steering Committee Report
11. Board President and Vice-President Report – Mike Kennedy (President) and Keegan Korf (Vice-President)
12. Friends of Omaha Public Library – Meghan Hope (President)
13. [Omaha Public Library Foundation](#) – Wendy Townley (Executive Director)
14. Library Liaison Reports – Library Trustees

BOARD COMMITTEE REPORTS

15. [Finance Committee](#) – Korf (Chair), Kennedy, Mullen, Wilson
16. Community Engagement Committee – Barrett, Varas, *Vacant*
17. Facilities Committee – Mullen (Chair), Gales, Wang

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. Trustees may engage in questions and discussion of any topic presented, but any desired action will be placed on a future agenda.

18. Input, Comments, and Questions

EXECUTIVE SESSION

19. The Board may recess and go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing litigation, personnel issues, and/or any other matter allowed by law.

ADJOURNMENT

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