

MISSION STATEMENT

The Winnebago Public Library provides all patrons access to a variety of well-organized resources, services, and technologies that enrich and empower the community and evolve with its cultural needs.

This time, date and purpose of the meeting are set forth in the following agenda:

WINNEBAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES PUBLIC BOARD MEETING MINUTES Thursday August 20, 2026 6:30 pm

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm, by Gary Brown followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Gary Brown - present

Jacquie Olsen - present

Jim Ferrar - present

Wendy Bennett - present

Wanda Cwiklo -present

Heather Kaap - present

Rhonda Smallwood - ABS

Emily Gundry - Winnebago Public Library Director

Additions or Corrections:

Add Lawn Care under 7.1.2

Public Comment:

No members of the public were present or available at the meeting.

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

A motion to approve the July 16, 2026 meeting minutes by Jacquie Olsen, and seconded by Heather Kaap with corrections. Motion carried.

Reports, Discussion & Action Items:

President's Report:

President Gary Brown requested that the Board of Trustees recite the Winnebago Public Library Mission Statement together at the beginning of each regular board meeting as a reminder of the Library's purpose, goals, and commitment to serving the community.

Director's Report:

FY26

Suicide Hotline being posted - Signed into law (soon)

Book Buddies - purchased by FOTL

Insurance Coverage

Shelving Update - per capita grant purchase \$6,740.67

(\$12,408.30 - \$6,740.67 = \$5,667.63 remaining)

Treasurer's Report:

A motion to approve the July 2026 Reconciliation Detail Report, was made by Wanda Cwiklo and seconded by Wendy Bennett. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the Profit and Loss Budget vs Actual Report, was made by Wendy Bennett and seconded by Jaquie Olsen. Motion carried.

A motion to approve the End of Year Transfer, was made by Wendy Bennett and seconded by Wanda Cwiklo.

Gary Brown - present

Jacquie Olsen - present

Jim Ferrar - present

Wendy Bennett - present

Wanda Cwiklo -present

Heather Kaap - present

Rhonda Smallwood - ABS

First & Appropriation Ordinance First Read - Public Hearing starts at 6:15 pm. Add to September Agenda.

Grounds Maintenance/Facility:

Update on Sprinkler System

Edelman Quotes

Policy Manual:

A motion to approve the Mission Statement remain as is, was made by Jacquie Olsen and seconded by Heather Kaap. Motion carried.

Meeting Room - 1st review completed.

6.6 Personnel:

No personnel issues were discussed at this time.

6.7 Closed Session--Closed Session: 5 ILCS 120/2 (1): the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of a specific employee or legal counsel for the public body.

Unfinished Business:

Story Walk - continues to be on hold until ComEd completes their work on the bike path.
Lawn Care - move to September with Hudson Insko.

New Business:

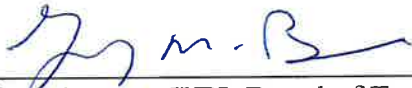
2027 Elections:

Gary Brown, Wanda Cwiklo, and Jacquie Olsen will be seeking re-election to the Board in the 2027 election. Jim Ferrar has decided not to seek re-election. The public will be notified regarding the open Board position and provided with information for anyone interested in serving.

Next Meeting:

Next Regular Board Meeting - September 17, 2026 at 6:15 pm
Winnebago Public Library - Community room
210 N. Elida St., Winnebago, IL 61088
815-335-7050

A motion to adjourn the meeting at p.m. was made by and seconded . The motion carried.



Gary Brown - WPL Board of Trustees - President

Jacquie Olsen - WPL Board of Trustees - Vice-President



