LIBRARY CENTER OF THE OZARKS

Branson/Hollister Library Subdistrict
Board of Trustees
Meeting Minutes
February 17, 2026 | 9:00 – 10:30a.m.
LCO Tech Room

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1. **Call to Order**
    a. Anne E. McGregor called the meeting to order at 9:01a.m.
    b. Present: Anne E. McGregor, Chair; Debbie Redford, Vice-Chair; Cody Fenton, Treasurer; Jeff Gerken, Secretary; Rachel Qualls, Member-at-Large.
    c. Absent: None.
    d. The board members and other attendees said the pledge of allegiance, an invocation, and a roll call.
2. **Welcome**
    a. Anne E. McGregor welcomed Nicholas Holladay as LCO's newly hired Executive Director.
3. **Approval of Minutes**
    a. Cody moved to approve the minutes of the January 20, 2026, regular meeting and closed session, the January 28, 2026, special meeting, and the February 3, 2026, special meeting.
        i. Rachel Qualls seconded.
        ii. **Ayes:** Anne E. McGregor, Debbie Redford, Cody Fenton, Jeff Gerken, Rachel Qualls; **Nays:** None.
        iii. All in favor; motion carried.
4. **Visitor's Comments**
    a. Lonnie Brandon made a public comment.
5. **Closed Session**
    a. The board did not vote to enter a closed session.
        i. No action was taken by the board.
6. **Treasurer's Report**
    a. Cody Fenton gave the Treasurer's Report.
7. **Invited Guest**
    a. There was no invited guest.
8. **Director's Report**
    a. Corinne Hughes, Adult Services Supervisor and Interim Co-Director, gave the Director's Report.

Old Business

9. **FY2025 Audit**
    a. Cody Fenton moved to approve Roberts, McKenzie, Mangan & Cummings to perform a financial audit of the library's 2025 fiscal year.
        i. Debbie Redford seconded.
        ii. **Ayes:** Anne E. McGregor, Debbie Redford, Cody Fenton, Jeff Gerken, Rachel Qualls; **Nays:** None.
        iii. All in favor; motion carried.

New Business

10. **Review of 2025 Financials**
    a. Cody Fenton and Jacob O'Dell, Operations Manager and Interim Co-Director, gave an overview of the library's financial reports for the 2025 fiscal year.
    b. Cody Fenton moved to transfer the library's retained 2025 funds totaling $447,140.61 to the library's new building, emergency, and deferred maintenance accounts in 90%, 5%, and 5% amounts, respectively.
        i. Jeff Gerken seconded.
        ii. **Ayes:** Anne E. McGregor, Debbie Redford, Cody Fenton, Jeff Gerken, Rachel Qualls; **Nays:** None.
        iii. All in favor; motion carried.
11. **2026 Reserve Fund Transfers**
    a. Cody Fenton moved to transfer the library's 2026 reserve funds to the appropriate new building, emergency, and deferred maintenance accounts.
        i. Rachel Qualls seconded.
        ii. **Ayes:** Anne E. McGregor, Debbie Redford, Cody Fenton, Jeff Gerken, Rachel Qualls; **Nays:** None.
        iii. All in favor; motion carried.
12. **Architectural Design Team Meetings**
    a. Anne E. McGregor spoke about potential upcoming architectural design team meetings and forming a committee to work with Sapp Design Architects.
        i. No action was taken by the board.
13. **Attorney Contract Review and RFP Process**
    a. Jeff Gerken moved that the library review its current attorney contract and investigate whether an RFP is required before hiring new legal counsel.
        i. Cody Fenton seconded.
        ii. **Ayes:** Anne E. McGregor, Debbie Redford, Cody Fenton, Jeff Gerken, Rachel Qualls; **Nays:** None.
        iii. All in favor; motion carried.

14. Committee Report

a. There was no committee report.

15. Public Comments

a. There were no public comments.

16. Comments from Trustees

a. There were no comments from trustees.

17. Next Meeting

a. The board's next regular meeting was rescheduled to March 24, 2026, at 3:00p.m. instead of March 17, 2026, at 9:00a.m.

18. Adjournment

a. Jeff Gerken moved to adjourn the board meeting at 9:32a.m.

i. Rachel Qualls seconded.

ii. **Ayes:** Anne E. McGregor, Debbie Redford, Cody Fenton, Jeff Gerken, Rachel Qualls; **Nays:** None.

iii. All in favor; motion carried.

Approved:

Anne E. McGregor, Chair — 3/24/26 Date

Approved:

Jeff Gerken, Secretary — 3/24/2026 Date