

Indian Prairie Public Library
Board of Trustees Minutes
Regular Meeting of March 18, 2026

**Board of Trustees Regular Meeting
March 18, 2026 – 6:45 p.m.**

A. Roll Call

Vice-President Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. Secretary Palmisano called the roll. Present: Donald Damon, Marian Krupicka, Stacy Palmisano, Themis Raftis, Christina Rodriguez, Victoria Suriano (by phone)

Absent: Samia Wahab

Staff Present: Laura Birmingham, Kristen Lawson, Maria Wlosinski

Others:

Vice-President Rodriguez asked for additions and/or corrections to the agenda. There were none.

B. Mission Statement: Secretary Palmisano read the library mission statement. We enrich our community by providing opportunities to explore, connect, learn and create.

Vision Statement: Secretary Palmisano read the library vision statement. People are inspired. and empowered. Dreams are developed and realized.

Values Statement: Secretary Palmisano read the library values statement. We value and respect the individual. We empower and guide each visitor. We aspire to bring people together.

C. Public Comment

D. Communications and Announcements

1. LACONI Trustee Banquet, April 17
2. Atlas Annual Trustee Day, May 16

E. Omnibus Consent Agenda

1. Minutes of Regular Board Meeting, February 18, 2026
2. Action on Bills/Additional Bills
3. Intergovernmental Agreement Between IPPL and Intergovernmental Personnel Benefit Cooperative

Damon moved, Raftis seconded to approve the Omnibus Consent Agenda. Ayes: Damon, Krupicka, Palmisano, Raftis, Rodriguez. Nays: none. Absent: Wahab. Motion carried unanimously.

F. Items Deleted from Omnibus Consent Agenda - none

G. Library Director's Report

H. Department Reports

I. Staff Report – none

J. Reports

1. Treasurer's Report – backup in packet.
2. Building and Grounds Committee – no report
3. Finance Committee – no report
4. Planning/Outreach Committee – no report
5. Policy Committee – no report

K. Unfinished Business - none

L. New Business

1. Financial Projections – The packet contains financial forecasts that include capital projects and predicted costs through 2036. Each of the three forecasts reflect one of the options for the elevator modernization (base bid, base bid plus alternate, base bid plus hydraulic cylinder replacement). Rodriguez noted that the financial projections were very helpful.
2. Elevator Modernization Bid-Scope of Work – Mid-America Elevator and our current company, Colley Elevator, attended the mandatory walkthrough on February 10. The bid opening took place on March 10. Lawson explained that the base bid includes replacing the entire control system, installing car and hoistway door equipment, the car operating panel, and other systems that will need to be updated to match code. The voluntary alternate for a robust muffler would minimize noise and pulsations. With respect to the stated alternate for the replacement of the hydraulic cylinder, Lawson explained that this was part of the bid documents because it was brought up by the architects during the capital assessment. Both contractors attending the walkthrough said that based on the age of our building, they would not suggest replacing the hydraulic cylinder at this time. Damon moved, Krupicka seconded to approve the base bid proposal from Colley Elevator in the sum of \$122,164.00 and the voluntary alternate for a robust muffler in the sum of \$4,000.00. Ayes: Damon, Krupicka, Palmisano, Raftis, Rodriguez. Nays: none. Absent: Wahab. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Hours During Darien Fest Weekend, August 7, 8 & 9 – This year Darien Fest will be at Hinsdale South High School which will greatly impact our parking. In the past when the Fest was held in the Community Park, the library reduced hours on Saturday and closed on Sunday. The Board was in agreement that if patrons are able to access the library from Clarendon Hills Road during the Fest, then we will close at 1 p.m. on Saturday and close all day on Sunday. If, however, there is no library access from Clarendon Hills Road, then the library will be closed both Saturday and Sunday. Birmingham will contact the city to find out the specifics with respect to road closures.

M. Scheduled Meetings

1. Building & Grounds Committee Meeting is scheduled for May 13 at 6 p.m.
2. Finance Committee Meeting is scheduled for June 9 at 6:30 p.m.

N. Adjournment

At 7:30 p.m. Damon moved, Palmisano seconded to adjourn the meeting. Ayes: Damon, Krupicka, Palmisano, Raftis, Rodriguez. Nays: none. Absent: Wahab. Motion carried unanimously.

Stacy Palmisano, Secretary