

Rolla Public Library
Board of Trustees
Minutes of September 24, 2026

- I. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** Kristi Fleischhauer called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m. Member present included: Kristi Fleischhauer, Robert Haselwander, Bruce Wilson, Joel Kidwell, Helen Johnstone, and Rachel White. Absent: Becky Roberts, Lou Magdits. Two vacancies.
- II. **Welcome to Visitors and Public Comment:** No public comments.
- III. **Monthly Financial Review:** Financials for the last several months are expected next month, due to the unexpected transition to a new financial service provider.
- IV. **Review and Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting:** August minutes were reviewed, with a few minor corrections recommended. Kidwell motioned to approve the minutes with corrections; Johnstone seconded. Motion passed.
- V. **Library Director's Report:**
 - a. Work on financial matters is on-going, including: the board will be discussing a financial policy in our next meeting, we have obtained Tax Collection documents from the county for July, August, and September, the question of why our taxes continue to pass through the city is outstanding, and we will need to educate the city council on the state laws governing the current city ordinance about library finances.
 - b. The back stairs to the library are in need of repair, and Rebecca has obtained a suitable and cost-effective quote for the repairs from Archer-Elgin; the board asked Rebecca to go ahead with the repairs.
 - c. Demolition of the old PC Tech/Englischer Corner structure is planned to go ahead in mid-October.
 - d. Ally is pursuing a computing grant, to help update outdated computers.
 - e. With several complaints about smells, Rebecca will look into the costs for an "Air Spa" – a machine to solve this issue.
- VI. **Old Business:**
 - a. **Facilities Committee**
 - i. The committee interviewed 4 architectural firms as a part of the selection process of choosing a firm to support facilities work.
 - b. **Tech Services Committee**
 - i. Recommend Angle PPO 750 – has a \$750 deductible for employees.

1. Requires 5 FTE, so committee recommends an additional FT employee – preferably a promotion. This extra employee’s time would prioritize bookkeeping, with the goal of bringing it in-house.
2. This option would require an extra library budget cost of ~\$5,500 to promote an internal library assistant to 32 hrs, bringing them to FTE to meet the 5 FTE requirement.
 - a. Note that this increase in budget expenditure is expected to save the library ~\$13,000 in insurance premiums, compared to the premiums paid to the current health insurer.
3. May consider other health insurance options in the future

VII. New Business:

a. Facilities:

- i. Recommend Dake-Wells for the RFQ. Wilson moved that we begin negotiations with Dake-Wells to determine a price for services. No 2nd is necessary, per Robert’s Rules of Order. Motion carried.

b. Technical Services:

- i. Angle PPO 750 was recommended by the committee; Kidwell moves and Wilson seconds. Motion carried, with the following additional provisos: vision & dental insurance be included; and an additional Full Time Equivalent person be hired or promoted to reach the minimum 5 employees required.

- c. Public communications about the upcoming demolition:** Kristi is working on an email to send to the City Council and Mayor to let them know. We will offer to attend a council meeting to provide a public announcement. Kristi will send it out to the board for review by 9/28. Other outreach ideas might include a representative going on 99.7’s “morning mayors” program to share.

- d. Code of Conduct Policy Revision discussed;** Kidwell moves to change it to the submitted policy; Haselwander seconds. Motion carried.

- e. 3D printing Policy Update considered:** Kidwell moves to adopt it, and Johnstone seconds. Motion carried.

VIII. Schedule for a next meeting date: Our next board meeting date is Thursday, October 15th at 4:00 p.m. in the Children’s Wing meeting room.

IX. Adjourn: Johnstone made the motion to adjourn; Wilson seconded. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:21 pm.

Robert Haselwander – Library Board