

Washington Public Library Board of Trustees
June 26, 2025
Washington Public Library

Call to Order—President Margi Jarrard called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m. Trustees Mindy Graham, Kerrie Willis, Isabella Santoro, Regina Schantz, Gary Murphy, and Owen Piette were present, as well as Ex-Officio member Cary Ann Siegfried. New board member Kirsten Minino was also in attendance.

Approval of Minutes— Santoro made a motion to approve the May 2025 minutes. Willis seconded it. The motion carried.

Approval of Financial Reports— Graham moved and Schantz seconded to approve the financial reports. The motion carried.

- Murphy moved to approve the purchase of a fourth pottery wheel. Willis seconded the motion, which carried.
- Willis moved and Murphy seconded to approve the purchase of custom display cases for the Scofield collection, funded by a municipal Riverboat grant. Motion carried.
- Santoro moved and Murphy seconded to approve payment for the elevator repair. Motion carried.

Library Services Report—Physical circulation was down 11% in May compared to a year ago, but digital circulation was up more than 19%. The MakeIT Place was used 243 hours in May, the highest usage experienced in the last 12 months. The Young Adult (YA) Fiction genre project was completed in May.

Committee Report—Piette reported on the June Technology Committee meeting.

- The library would like to purchase two new front desk computers.
- The plan is to cycle through and purchase four employee PC's over the next few years.
- There was a discussion concerning which IT plan to use during the next fiscal year, the one used by the city or the currently-used KCTC. One of the factors in the decision may be the county budget.

Federal/State funding update— The Brainfuse service will be discontinued as of July 15. It will be replaced by the Momentrix test prep services. More updates are expected.

New Business—

- a. The board reviewed the policy of Programs at the Library. Piette moved and Schantz seconded to approve the policy. Motion carried.

- b. Siegfried presented benchmarking information comparing WFPL to other libraries in the state in a variety of areas.

Announcements and Adjournment

The board welcomed new member Minino and thanked Graham for her years of service on the board. The next meeting will be on Thursday, July 24, 2025 at 9:30 a.m. Murphy moved and Graham seconded to adjourn. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 11:18.