



### Board Meeting Minutes

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| Organization                                           | Robert R. Jones Public Library District Board of Trustees                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                |
| Meeting Type                                           | Regular session                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                |
| Date                                                   | May 28, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                |
| Time                                                   | 6:30 pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                |
| Location                                               | Community Room, 900 1 <sup>st</sup> St., Coal Valley, IL                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                |
| I. Call to Order, Welcome, and Establishment of Quorum |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                |
| Call to Order Time:                                    | 6:36 pm                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                |
| Presiding Officer:                                     | Janene Finley, Vice President                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                |
| Board Members Present:                                 | Janene Finley, Vice President<br>Bonnie Lawhorn, Secretary<br>Tish Jackson, Treasurer<br>Angela Moody, Trustee<br>Pubali Kundu, Trustee                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                |
| Board Members Absent:                                  | Nick Hannah, President                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |                |
| Staff Present:                                         | Victoria Blackmer, Director                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                |
| Quorum Established:                                    | Yes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                |
| II. Public Comment                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                |
| III. President's Report                                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                |
| IV. Secretary's Report                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                |
| Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (date):           | April 23, 2026                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                |
| Motion:                                                | Angela Moody                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                |
| Second:                                                | Pubali Kundu                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                |
| Vote:                                                  | All Ayes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Motion: Passed |
| V. Treasurer's Report                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                |
| Financial Summary:                                     | The financials were all in order.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                |
| Motion to Accept:                                      | Angela Moody                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                |
| Second:                                                | Tish Jackson                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                |
| Vote:                                                  | All Ayes                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Motion: Passed |
| VI. Director's Report                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                |
| Highlights:                                            | Staff is working well together. The transition with Kaylee and Kylee is going well. Kylee is doing great! Kylee will be doing a lot of onboarding for the Summer Reading Program.<br><br>Kaylee graduated from the Catalyst Program from RAILS. Pubali mentioned this was quite an honor the list she had looked at were all Directors.<br><br>Brittany is the new part-time employee. |                |
| VII. Committee Reports                                 |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                |
| Program Committee (Bonnie Lawhorn)                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |                |
| Report Summary:                                        | No report                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |                |

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| <b>Building and Grounds Committee (Pubali Kundu)</b> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Report Summary:                                      | No report                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Employee Committee (Janene Finley)</b>            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Report Summary:                                      | No report                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Finance Committee (Tish Jackson)</b>              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Report Summary:                                      | <p>A letter from the Internal Revenue Service was sent 4/29/2026, stating that we needed to act on our balance of \$10,414.83 and to file our missing returns. We feel that we have paid for it and are in the process of tracking down the files showing that we had filed the paperwork and paid this amount. However, we have gone ahead and paid the amount as it was due on May 20, 2026, and will be reimbursed once the corresponding paperwork is found. This was a dispute from 9/30/2022 and 12/31/2023.</p> <p>At the beginning of Fiscal Year 2026 we looked at expenses and some were coded 7/1/2025 instead of 6/30/2025. According to the Auditor, things can be carried over. All have been reconciled and approved.</p> <p>Victoria stated that we have been under levying and if we were to hold a Truth and Taxation Hearing, it would need to be held before the last Tuesday in December and wouldn't go into effect until Fiscal Year 2028</p> <p>We want to get on Kym Hoffman's schedule for the Audit.</p> |
| ACTION:                                              | Approval of Pledge Bond purchase                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Motion:                                              | Angela Moody                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Second:                                              | Pubali Kundu                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Vote:                                                | <p>Janene Finley – Aye      Bonnie Lawhorn - Aye      Tish Jackson - Aye<br/> Angela Moody – Aye      Pubali Kundu</p> <p>Motion: Passed</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| ACTION:                                              | Approval to open special reserve account for levy-specific funds. No action needed as it was determined that we already had it covered.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| ACTION:                                              | Approval of Victoria Blackmer as signer for all accounts held at Blackhawk Bank & Trust for the Robert R. Jones Public Library District                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| Motion:                                              | Pubali Kundu                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Second:                                              | Angela Moody                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Vote:                                                | <p>Janene Finley – Aye      Bonnie Lawhorn – Aye      Tish Jackson – Aye<br/> Angela Moody – Aye      Pubali Kundu</p> <p>Motion: Passed</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| ACTION:                                              | Approval of amended budget                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Motion:                                              | Angela Moody                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Second:                                              | Tish Jackson                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
| Vote:                                                | <p>Janene Finley – Aye      Bonnie Lawhorn – Aye      Tish Jackson – Aye<br/> Angela Moody – Aye      Pubali Kundu – Aye</p> <p>Motion: Passed</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Policy Committee (Angela Moody)</b>               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Report Summary:                                      | Recommends that the Policy Committee meets before the June meeting to go over the Bylaws and that the Employee Committee meet to discuss HR-001.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>VIII. Old Business</b>                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>IX. New Business</b>                              |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| ACTION:                                              | Appointment of FY 2027 Officers                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |

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| Discussion:          | All officers were contacted and agreed to stay in the same positions for the next fiscal year. Janene said that she was willing to fill in for Nick when needed. |                                            |                    |
| Motion:              | Angela Moody – Nominated the current officers as the slate of officers for FY 2027                                                                               |                                            |                    |
| Second:              | Pubali Kundu                                                                                                                                                     |                                            |                    |
| Vote:                | Janene Finley – Aye<br>Angela Moody – Aye                                                                                                                        | Bonnie Lawhorn – Aye<br>Pubali Kundu – Aye | Tish Jackson – Aye |
|                      | Motion: Passed                                                                                                                                                   |                                            |                    |
| Motion:              | Pubali Kundu: All trustees currently residing in an officer position continue to serve in their first 2 (two)yar term.                                           |                                            |                    |
| Second:              | Bonnie Lawhorn                                                                                                                                                   |                                            |                    |
| Vote:                | Janene Finley – Aye<br>Angela Moody – Aye                                                                                                                        | Bonnie Lawhorn – Aye<br>Pubali Kundu – Aye | Tish Jackson – Aye |
|                      | Motion: Passed                                                                                                                                                   |                                            |                    |
| X. Adjournment       |                                                                                                                                                                  |                                            |                    |
| Motion to Adjourn:   | Pubali Kundu                                                                                                                                                     |                                            |                    |
| Second:              | Tish Jackson                                                                                                                                                     |                                            |                    |
| Vote:                | Janene Finley – Aye<br>Angela Moody – Aye                                                                                                                        | Bonnie Lawhorn – Aye<br>Pubali Kundu – Aye | Tish Jackson – Aye |
|                      | Motion: Passed                                                                                                                                                   |                                            |                    |
| Time of Adjournment: | 8:08 pm                                                                                                                                                          |                                            |                    |

**Minutes Submitted By: Bonnie Lawhorn, Secretary with edits by Victoria Blackmer, Director**  
**Date Submitted: June 10, 2026**