

BPL Board Minutes | June 25, 2026

Attendance

Board: Jason Manayathu, Jennifer Tarnawski, Ashley Cameron (via Zoom), Lindsay Zalot, Shayne Lemieux, Akindayomi Odedeyi

Staff: Lita Barrie, Meg Uttangi Matsos, Elise Copps, Cindy Tchorz

Regrets: Councillor Lisa Kearns

Minutes

A meeting of the Board was held on Thursday, June 25, 2026, at the Central Branch.

1. Call to Order

Jason Manayathu, Library Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Motion 26-29, Approval of the Agenda

MOVED by Akindayomi Odedeyi, SECONDED by Jennifer Tarnawski, that the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED.

3. Welcome and Intent for Gathering

4. Declarations of Interest – None

5. Presentations: AI & Libraries

Lita Barrie, CEO, presented on artificial intelligence and its impact on libraries, including the evolving role libraries play in supporting AI awareness and use. Lita also outlined how BPL is exploring and implementing AI tools to support staff roles and improve internal workflows.

6. Consent Items:

6.1. Open Minutes of May 28, 2026

6.2. CEO Report

Motion 26-30, Consent Agenda Items

MOVED by Akindayomi Odedeyi, SECONDED by Jennifer Tarnawski, that all items listed under the heading of Consent Items for the Library Board meeting dated June 25, 2026, will be adopted as recommended.

CARRIED.

7. Decision Items

7.1. Revised 2025 Audited Financial Statements

Motion 26-31, Revised 2025 Audited Financial Statements

MOVED by Shayne Lemieux, SECONDED by Lindsay Zalot, That the Burlington Public Library Board approves the revised 2025 Audited Financial Statements as presented.

CARRIED.

8. Discussion Items

8.1. Board Policy Framework Review

Library staff discussed the Board Policy Framework Review and requested the Library Board's support for the proposed structure for grouping policies. Staff will continue reviewing and placing Board policies into the appropriate new policy categories over the summer, with the matter returning to the Board in the fall.

9. Information Items – None

10. Closed Session

Motion 26-32, Motion to Move into Closed

MOVED by Akindayomi Odedeyi, SECONDED by Shayne Lemieux, that the Burlington Public Library Board move into Closed Session.



CARRIED.

The Library Board moved into Closed Session at 7:48 p.m.

Motion 26-33, Motion to Move Out of Closed Session

MOVED by Lindsay Zalot, SECONDED by Akindayomi Odedeyi, that the Burlington Public Library Board move out of Closed Session.

CARRIED.

The Library Board moved out of Closed Session at 8:21 p.m.

11. Approval of Motions from Closed Session

Motion 26-34, Closed Minutes of May 28, 2026

MOVED by Jennifer Tarnawski, SECONDED by Akindayomi Odedeyi, that the Burlington Public Library Board approves the Closed Minutes of May 28, 2026, as presented.

CARRIED.

Motion 26-35, HR Matter - Compensation

MOVED by Jennifer Tarnawski, SECONDED by Akindayomi Odedeyi, that the Burlington Public Library Board approves agenda item 10.2, HR Matter, Compensation as discussed in Closed Session.

CARRIED.

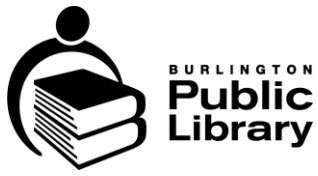
Motion 26-36, CEO Performance Review

MOVED by Shane Lemieux, SECONDED by Jennifer Tarnawski, that the Burlington Public Library Board approves the CEO Performance Review as discussed in Closed Session.

CARRIED.

12. Other Business - None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23 p.m. Motion by Lindsay Zalot.



Chair

Secretary-Treasurer

Next Meeting

- Thursday, September 10, 2026, 2027 Budget, 6:30 p.m., Frank Rose Room, Central Branch
- Thursday, September 24, 2026, 6:30 p.m., Frank Rose Room
- Staff Social, Friday, September 25, 2026, 5:30 p.m., New Appleby Branch