



BPL Board Minutes | September 10, 2026

Attendance

Board: Jason Manayathu, Ashley Cameron, Jennifer Tarnawski, Akindayomi Odedeyi, Lindsay Zalot

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

Regrets: Councillor Lisa Kearns, Shayne Lemieux

Minutes

A meeting of the Board was held on Thursday, September 10, 2026, in the Frank Rose Room at Central Branch.

1. Call to Order

Jason Manayathu, Library Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved as presented.

Motion 26-37, 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. Decision Items

5.1 2027 Draft Capital Budget

Nicole Tewkesbury reviewed the draft 2027 Capital Budget, noting potential infrastructure work at Tansley Woods and Central Park. Future renewal projects



may be included in the incoming City Council's long-term plans. The City uses VFA as a tool to assess facility lifecycle replacements, with priorities reviewed and adjusted annually.

Motion 26-38, Approval of the 2027 Draft Capital Budget

MOVED by Jennifer Tarnawski, SECONDED by Akindayomi Odedeyi, that the Burlington Public Library Board approves the 2027 Draft Capital Budget submission.

CARRIED.

5.2 2027 Departmental Overview

Lita Barrie presented the report submitted to the City, which library staff update annually by reviewing and revising as needed to reflect priorities and challenges for the upcoming fiscal year.

Motion 26-39, Approval of the 2027 Departmental Overview

MOVED by Ashley Cameron, SECONDED by Lindsay Zalot, that the Burlington Public Library Board approves the 2027 Draft Departmental Overview submission.

CARRIED.

6. Discussion Items - None

7. Information Items – None

8. Closed Session

Motion 26-40, Motion to move into Closed Session

MOVED by Jennifer Tarnawski, SECONDED by Lindsay Zalot, that the Burlington Public Library Board moves into Closed Session.

CARRIED.

The Library Board moved into Closed Session at 7:11p.m.

Motion 26-41, 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 7:36 p.m.

9. Other Business

9.1. Staff Social

The Library Board were reminded that the Staff Social will be held on Friday, September 25, at the New Appleby branch.

10. Next Meeting:

Thursday, September 24, 2026, 6:30 p.m., Frank Rose Room

The meeting is adjourned at 7:39 p.m. Motion by Lindsay Zalot.

Chair

Secretary-Treasurer