

Ida Public Library Board of Trustees

Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, March 24, 2026 at 6:00 pm

Meeting Room, Lower Level of

Ida Public Library

The March regular meeting of the Ida Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order by Board President Angie Williams at 6:00 pm. Trustees present were Paige Ansley, Daniel Arevalo, Corey Beard, Steve Pierce, Jenny Tillema, and Angie Williams.

Not present: Maegen English, Wendy Frank, and Derek Prado

Also present was Library Director Mindy Long.

Public Comment – None.

Correspondence – Jim Rose has rescheduled for April's meeting.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion was made to approve the February 2026 meeting minutes by Daniel Arevalo. Steve Pierce seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.

Unfinished Business:

- 1. Balloon Payment Meeting: After discussion and clarification, Daniel Arevalo motioned to use funds (\$144,111.92) from the Midland States Bank Sweep Account to pay the balloon payment off early. This will leave the \$200,000 in the Sweep Account and there will be no more mortgage payments on any of our properties. Paige Ansley seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.**
- 2. Paige Ansley motioned to approve Daniel Arevalo, as Treasurer, to approve and sign for the Balloon Payment financial plan outlined above. Jenny Tillema seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.**

Committee Reports:

- 3. Finance (Daniel Arevalo, Chair):** Budget and Treasurer's Report available for review. Steve Pierce motioned to approve the report. Jenny Tillema seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Policy Committee:** No report.
- 5. Building & Grounds (Jenny Tillema, Chair):** No report.
- 6. Nominating & Personnel (Paige Ansley, Chair):** Closed session request to complete Director's Performance Review. Update on expiring terms for current members.
- 7. Expansion Committee (Angie Williams & Jenny Tillema, Co-chairs):** No report.
- 8. Friends of the Library** – Currently taking donations for book sale April 15-18th
- 9. Librarian's Report (Mindy Long):**

- a. Reviewed patron numbers, bookmobile numbers, etc.
- b. Building Updates (Bookmobile Shelter, Security Grant, Prestige gutter repair.)
- c. Staff Update (Bookkeeper, Youth Services new hire, two PT Circulation Clerks needed)
- d. Events/programming

Steve Pierce motioned to approve the Librarian's Report. Corey Beard seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

1. **OMA:** No meetings can occur on Election Days.
2. **Battery Network Recycling Program**
3. **Update on Shopping for new Insurance**
4. **Board Members Present took part in the Library Board Evaluation Form. Absent members will be emailed to get their feedback.**

Steve Pierce motioned to move to closed session at 6:44pm. Paige Ansley seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken and passed unanimously.

Library Director evaluation forms were distributed, filled out, and collected.

Steve Pierce motioned to return to open session at 6:53pm. Daniel Arevalo seconded the motion and the roll call vote passed unanimously.

Paige Ansley motioned to adjourn the monthly meeting at 6:54 pm. Steve Pierce seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Next Board Meeting will be Tuesday, April 28, 2026 at 6pm.