

Board of Directors Meeting

Nebraska Library Association

Minutes

Date/Time of Meeting: Thursday, June 11, 2026 at 1:30 p.m.

Location: Bellevue University Library (1028 Bruin Blvd, Bellevue)

Virtual Option: [Zoom option](#) available

Present: Sherrie Dux-Ideus, Sarah Johnson, Jean Turman, Lisa Mount, Samantha Rundle, Deb Robertson, Todd Jensen, Matt Kovar, Nicole Johnson, Ethan Nelson, Hannah Brandon, Thara Michaelis, Bri Weichel

1. Call to Order
2. Call for Consent Agenda Items
3. Approval of the agenda
 - a. Approved by consensus
4. Approval of the [minutes from the May 14, 2026](#) board meeting
 - a. Approved by consensus
5. [Treasurer's Report](#) (June 2026)
 - a. [Approved 2026 Budget](#) (approved December 2025)
6. New Business
 - a. Executive Committee meeting recap
 - i. Met on 6/8/26 at 11:30 a.m.
 - ii. [Agenda](#)
 - b. Lobbyist updates
 - i. Jeff Owusu-Ansah is no longer with Rembolt Ludtke
 1. They will be hiring someone to replace his position
 - ii. [Legislative recap report of the 2nd session](#)
 - c. NLA/MPLA Conference updates
 - i. [Draft schedule flyer](#)

- ii. [Draft sponsorship/exhibitor flyer](#)
- iii. [Draft attendee registration and accommodations flyer](#)
- iv. Registration is now live
- v. Clarification about the conference venue and hotel accommodations
- vi. There will be a silent auction again this year; accepting donations

7. Old Business

- a. OER Convening (C&U / TSRT)
 - i. May 29th at Creighton University
 - ii. [Event details](#)
 - iii. 50 registrations

- b. TED Democracy Philadelphia: Founding Fathers
 - i. Bellevue University Library will host the livestream event
 - ii. Saturday, June 13th
 - iii. [Event details](#)
 - iv. [Registration page](#) (free)
 - v. Bellevue University has been marketing the event

CONSENT AGENDA

- 1. General Reports
 - a. [MPLA Representative](#) — Deb Robertson
 - i. MPLA is partnering with ALA on an advocacy tool
 - ii. Reach out if you'd like more information
 - b. AFCON Representative — Wyatt Packard
 - i. Meetings have been moved to the first Wednesday of each month
 - c. ALA Councilor — Matt Kovar
 - i. ALA Conference discount is still available since Nebraska is considered a neighbor state to Illinois
 - ii. Working with ALA to launch new Advocacy platform (Quorum)
 - 1. Contract has been signed
 - 2. Will be live in September
 - iii. ALA membership meeting is on June 17th
 - 1. Opportunity to participate in the conversation and bring forward resolutions as an individual member

2. More information on the ALA website

2. Affiliate and Associate Reports

- a. NSLA — Joy Harvey
- b. NLC —

3. Lobbyist — Andy Pollock

4. Section Reports

- a. College & University — Hannah Winchester
- b. Public Library & Trustee — Jennifer Norton
- c. School, Children's & Young People — Holli Duggan

5. Round Table Reports

- a. Intellectual Freedom — Wyatt Packard
- b. New Member — *Inactive*
- c. Technical Services — Joyce Melvin

6. Interest Group Reports

- a. Tiny & Mighty — *Inactive*
- b. Information Technology and Access — *Inactive*
- c. Diversity — Megan Simonich

7. Standing Committee Reports

- a. Advocacy — Wyatt Packard
- b. Auditing — Michael Straatmann
- c. Bylaws & Handbook — Jodene Glaesemann
- d. Communications — Todd Jensen
 - i. Conference registration is being promoted on social media
- e. Professional Development — Sherrie Dux-Ideus
- f. Finance — Holli Duggan
- g. Elections — Holli Duggan
- h. [Scholarship & Awards](#) — Lisa Mount
 - i. Gumdrop is offering its conference scholarship again this year
 - 1. The application will open August 1st
 - ii. The NLC and Western Library System plan to offer conference scholarships
- i. Golden Sower — Samantha Rundle
 - i. Selection Committees coming up in August
 - 1. Will condense the list down to 10 books for kids to vote on during the upcoming school year

ii. Reading for the next school year will open soon

8. Adjournment

Upcoming Meetings

[Full Meeting Schedule](#)

DATE	LOCATION
July 9, 2026	Virtual
August 13, 2026	La Vista Conference Center TBD (Zoom option available)
September 17, 2026	TBD as we near conference
October 8, 2026	TBD depending on conference needs
November 12, 2026	Virtual
December 10, 2026	TBD