

Meeting minutes of the Board of Trustees of the University City Public Library for  
**June 18, 2025**

Members present: Mark Barnes, Kim Deitzler, Aren Ginsberg, Dennis Hoppe, Jerrold Lander, Trish Winchell, Cindy Zirwes.

Members absent: Joan Greco-Cohen, Helen Nelling

City Council Liaison: not present

Library staff: Patrick Wall—Director, Kerry Bruce, Cindy Deichmann

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The meeting was held in hybrid format. Some board members and staff participated via Zoom, and the meeting was recorded; it is available for viewing on the Library's Facebook page and YouTube channel.

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 pm by Mark Barnes, President, followed by roll call.

Minutes – Aren Ginsberg made a motion that the minutes from the meeting on May 14, 2025 be approved, seconded by Kim Deitzler. Motion passed unanimously by roll call vote at 5:16 pm.

Correspondence – None.

Council Liaison Report – Liaison not present.

President's Report – Mark Barnes thanked Cindy Zirwes for leading the meeting in person while he is remote.

Committee Reports

Budget & Finance – Reviewed draft budget. State funding is still in flux; IMLS funding was restored, but jobs were lost.

Building & Grounds – Toured building. Elevator passed inspection.

Long-Range Planning – Handed out questions for the survey, asked for feedback.

Personnel & Policy – Approved draft pay scale, recommended that full Board approve it.

Librarian's Report – The consent agenda was passed by roll call vote at 5:36 pm.

Action Items.

*Approval of 2025-2026 budget with adjusted pay rates.* Pay rates will increase by 2.5% effective July 1, 2025. Jerrold Lander made a motion for approval, seconded by Trish Winchell. Motion passed by roll call vote at 5:37 pm. Aye votes: Mark Barnes, Kim Deitzler, Aren Ginsberg, Dennis Hoppe, Jerrold Lander, Trish Winchell, Cindy Zirwes. Nay votes: none.

*Approval of biennial Conflict of Interest resolution, as required by statute.* Aren Ginsberg made a motion for approval, seconded by Trish Winchell. Motion passed by roll call vote at 5:41 pm. Aye votes: Mark Barnes, Kim Deitzler, Aren Ginsberg, Dennis Hoppe, Jerrold Lander, Trish Winchell, Cindy Zirwes. Nay votes: none.

Old business – Still planning farewell party for Joan Greco-Cohen.

New business – Adult summer reading program kickoff was great; maybe in future add a QR code to the handouts. Need to figure out better advertising for the music group events.

Public comment – Lots of positive feedback on first adult summer reading program talk by scholar.

The next regularly scheduled Board meeting will be Wednesday, September 24, 2025, at 5:15 pm.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:49 pm.