JJML Board of Trustees Meeting
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, September 16, 2026

Call to Order: President Deger called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.
Attending: Vice President Glass, Treasurer Curren Schmidt, Secretary Schiavoni, Trustees Frisicano, Gibbs Harris, Obler, Wagner, and Executive Director Harris.

In Attendance: Wonda Miller, Trustee Elect Daniel Hernandez

Period of Public Expression: Daniel - Happy to be here

Approval of September 16, 2026 Annual Budget Hearing & Trustee Candidate Forum Minutes and September 16, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes: Motion to approve both by Obler, seconded by Gibbs Harris. Approved: 8-0.

Friends of the Library Report: The next Friends luncheon will be at LUNCH Lobster Roll tomorrow. The plans for the next Friends' luncheon are set for 75 Main, and the Friends are beginning to discuss an art and garden tour.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report delivered by Curren Schmidt as per the information supplied in the Board packet.

Gibbs Harris motioned and Wagner seconded, approved 8-0 the following:

- **Financial Reports dated September 1 – September 30, 2026**
- **Bill Payment List:**
  - **Dime Operating Account:** Checks numbered 15093 through 15142 and dated 09/11/2026 to 10/15/2026 in the total amount of $90,207.49.
- **Payroll Warrants:**
  - *Payroll #18: Dated 09/04/26 for 08/19/26 - 09/01/26 in the amount of $52,412.90*
  - *Payroll #19: Dated 09/18/26 for 09/02/26 – 09/15/26 in the amount of $52,734.40*

Director's Report: Executive Director Harris provided her report as included in the board packet.

Motion to approve personnel report following executive session – motion by Glass, seconded by Gibbs Harris, approved 8-0.

Committee Reports

- ***Personnel:*** met and discussed employee compensation and organizational shifts.
- ***Finance, Budget, Contracts & Legal:*** no meeting
- ***Building & Grounds:*** no meeting
- ***Policy & Long Range Planning:*** no meeting, emails to discuss policy language in Governance Policy Book
- ***Mashashimuet Park Board:*** Deger delivered report

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Old Business:

- Artificial Intelligence: This was tabled from the September meeting. Trustees requested digital copies of the document Wagner shared in print at the last meeting. Executive Director Harris reviewed relevant information from the LILRC Conference on Libraries and the Future: How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Manage AI.
- Trustee and Governance Policy Manual – Motion to adopt as amended at the table by Obler, seconded by Glass, all in favor 8-0.

New Business:

- Appointment of Nominating Committee by President – to be Deger, Glass and Frisicano
- Ad Hoc Scholarship Committee – will include Curren Schmidt, Glass, and Schiavoni
- Staff Salaries for FY 2027 – vote followed executive session, motion to approve by Glass, seconded by Curren Schmidt, 8-0 approved.
- Executive Director Annual Evaluation – handed out with instructions

Period for Public Expression: none

Executive Session: motion to enter executive session at 7:43 pm to discuss the employment history of a particular person(s) leading to the appointment, employment, promotion of a particular person (s) by Glass, seconded by Gibbs Harris, approved 8-0.

Motion to exit executive session at 8:22 pm by Glass, seconded by Gibbs Harris, approved 8-0.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 8:24 pm by Glass, seconded by Curren Schmidt, approved 8-0.

Next Board meeting: Wednesday, November 18, 2026.

Respectfully Submitted,
Wonda R. Miller, Assistant Director

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