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**Richmond Memorial Library
Board of Trustees
June 9, 2026**

The June meeting of the Library Board of Trustees was held on Tuesday, June 9, 2026. President Leslie Moma called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Members present: Leslie Moma, Richard Beatty, Felipe Oltramari, John Roach, and Rebecca Oshlag

Also present: Director Samantha Stryker, Deputy Clerk Debra Levins, Librarian Matthew Hoople, Librarian Elizabeth Beardslee, and Heather Wiley

Excused: Marcia Bohn and Meg Chilano

Approval of Minutes

J. Roach made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2026 meeting. R. Oshlag seconded it; motion carried.

Public Comment

Heather Wiley of Elba addressed the Board regarding library displays.

Summer Reading Program Overview

Librarian Elizabeth Beardslee gave an overview of the Adult Summer Reading and Tween & Teen Summer Reading Programs which will be held June 29th – August 15th. Librarian Matthew Hoople gave an overview of this year's Children's Summer Reading Program. The kickoff party will be held on Friday, June 26th.

Library Director's Report

May 2026 Librarian Reports review

Reports from Library Director Samantha Stryker, Assistant Library Director Laura Dumuhosky, and Librarians Elizabeth Beardslee, Gabriel Fox, Matthew Hoople, and Jill Feine were reviewed. Reports from Library Assistant Ellen Mangiavellano, and Library Visits Program Coordinator Lucine Kauffman were also discussed.

Capital Project Update

The upstairs study rooms are nearly complete. The next phases include the front doors/steps and the downstairs CR office space.

Friends of the Library Update

The April sale netted \$911.50. Upstairs sales netted \$157.50 for May and sales via Thriftbooks netted \$145.85.

Richmond Reads

We have received confirmation for our 2026 Richmond Reads author. The reveal event will be on Wednesday, July 8th at 7 pm.

Community Engagement

The library is participating in Juneteenth, Pride Parade, Concert in the Park, and Picnic in the Park on July 4.

Election Results Database

Director Stryker is nearly done uploading our documents for the 2026 election to the new database.

Foundation Funding

The Library Foundation has agreed to sponsor the Dolly Parton Imagination Library for 2026-2027 in the amount of \$10,000.

Webinars and Meetings

The Library Director recently attended webinars and the following Meetings:

5/8/26 and 5/9/26 - Richmond Reads committee

5/20/26 - The NIOGA annual meeting and dinner

5/26/26 – The Cold Night Café to debrief the last season and discuss future collaboration

5/26/26 - Rotary Meeting to share about the teen corner project.

Committee Reports - None

Financial Reports

F. Oltramari made a motion and R. Oshlag seconded to approve the following financial reports:

- Disbursement Status Report, May 2026
- Revenue Status Report, May 2026
- Bank Reconciliations, May 2026
- Approval of Board Warrant for Payment

Motion carried.

Communications

Director Stryker shared a letter from Jeffrey Laub on behalf of the Nioga Board of Trustees regarding a vacancy on their Board.

Unfinished Business

New Business

Staff Resignation

The board regrettably accepts the resignation of Substitute Librarian Melanie Norman.

Promotion of Matthew Hoople to Librarian II

R. Beatty made a motion to approve the promotion of Matthew Hoople to Librarian II effective July 1, 2026. F. Oltramari seconded it; motion carried.

The end of year Finance meeting will be held on Monday, June 29th at 6:00 pm.

Adjournment

J. Roach made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:44 pm.

F. Oltramari seconded it; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Library Director Samantha Stryker

Next Board Meeting: Tuesday, July 14, 2026 @ 6:00 pm, Gallery Room