



COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES

A Committee of the Whole Meeting of the Board of Library Trustees of the La Grange Park Public Library District was held on November 5, 2025 at 7:00pm, in the library, 555 N. La Grange Road, La Grange Park, IL 60526.

1. President Demes-O'Brien called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.
2. Roll call – Present: President Demes-O'Brien, Vice President Whitman, Secretary Snow, and Trustees Gies, Krall, and Sifuentes. Absent: Treasurer Hightower. Also present was Executive Director Oppenheim.
3. Pledge of allegiance
4. Introduction of visitor(s): None
5. Public Comment: None
6. New Business- Discussion of Library policies:
 - a) Fixed Asset Capitalization – Oppenheim noted that the previous version of the policy had an incorrect name for GASB, the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Trustees had no comments.
 - b) Fund Balance – Oppenheim pointed out the addition of a pair of commas. Again, trustees had no concerns.
 - c) Gifts – Once again, Oppenheim showed the board an added comma. No trustees offered further suggestions.
 - d) Purchasing – Oppenheim explained that the library no longer keeps petty cash, so the section detailing it was removed. He also mentioned a bill raising the threshold requiring competitive bids from \$25,000 to \$35,000 seemingly stalled in the Illinois General Assembly, but might necessitate future revision if passed.
7. Discussion of staff gifts – The trustees solidified their plan for the annual gifts to staff.
8. Discussion of parking lot – Oppenheim explained that one of the crabapple trees in the parking lot was knocked over by a driver and will be replaced by the driver's insurance company. He also mentioned that a patron suggested creating a 15-minute space near the outside book drop, to make the lot safer. Trustees agreed, though Gies suggested that the sign could specifically mention the book drop.
9. Adjournment- Snow motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Gies. All in favor, motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm.