

MAPLEWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY
7550 Lohmeyer Maplewood, MO 63143

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MINUTES
April 16, 2025

1. Roll call of members
 - a. Present (Zoom): M. Brenner, C. Char, K. Gifford, A. Johnson, K. Nithya, D. Rubin, T. Scrivner, K. Spencer. E. Loveless. Also present: A. Bryant, Library Dir; T. Smith, Trivers/Navigate
2. Reading of minutes
 - a. Motion to approve 3/19 Minutes: E. Loveless. Second: M. Brenner. Approved.
3. Public comments – None
4. Communications – None
5. Treasurer's report
 - a. Motion to approve March 2025 financial report: E. Loveless. Second: K. Gifford. Approved.
6. Librarian's report
 - a. April Librarian's report – A. Bryant presented.
7. Committee reports
 - a. Community Engagement: Friends of the Library update.
 - b. Public Policy: Raising awareness about IMLS funding cuts.
8. Unfinished business
 - a. Navigate Building Solutions update
9. New business
 - a. Initial work-in-progress budget conversation
 - b. Motion to transfer of funds to 502 as discussed. D. Rubin. Second: K. Spencer. Approved.
 - c. Motion to transfer \$2,499.13 to 508, Consortium Fees, from reserves account to cover cost of Evergreen that is no longer being covered by grant funding due to IMLS cuts. C. Carr. Second: T. Scrivner. Approved.
 - d. Reviewed board statement on IMLS funding
 - e. Grand re-opening and ribbon cutting initial planning
10. Closed Session – None
11. Adjournment – Motion to Adjourn: D. Rubin. Second: C. Carr. Approved. Adjourned.

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DEIB Statement: The Maplewood Public Library Board of Trustees, comprised of community leaders, gives voice to its diverse residents, businesses, stakeholders, and consumers for the well-being of the City. In carrying out our duties, the Library Board commits to advance the City's mission for Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging (DEIB). We embrace and will attempt to adhere to the Welcome Maplewood DEIB Policy and 5-year Plan since it invests in our employees and future workforce, promotes access to City services, enhances the vibrancy of our neighborhoods, makes our community more welcoming, and creates a sense of belonging. We support Welcome Maplewood because we value diverse processes and seek to ensure that all voices are heard. Finally, as we deliberate on individual items within our Commission, we will incorporate Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging into our decision-making and within our recommendations.