

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
TUESDAY, MAY 19, 2026 | 11:00 A.M.

JEN GRILL, PRESIDENT
MELISSA MALLINAK, VICE PRESIDENT/PRESIDENT-ELECT
MARISHA SULLIVAN, SECRETARY

Stark Library
1020 Market Ave N
Canton, OH 44702

Our Values – Member-Driven, Inclusive, Relevant, Agile, Inspiring
Our Vision – NEO-RLS is the catalyst for maximizing library potential.
Our Mission – NEO-RLS provides excellent, accessible development opportunities for staff and organizations and dynamic collaborative possibilities to the diverse Northeast Ohio library community.

Board Members:

- **Jen Grill**, Deputy Director/Human Resources Manager, Mentor Public Library, Zone 2
- **Melissa Mallinak**, Director, Loudonville Public Library, Zone 4
- **Marisha Sullivan**, Librarian, Holden Forest & Gardens, Special Library
- **Patrick Manning**, Neighborhood Services Manager, Akron-Summit County Public Library, Zone 1
- **Robin Bartley**, Director, Wickliffe Public Library, GEO
- **Jennifer Buch**, Director, Huron Public Library, Zone 4
- **Katie Cooley**, Adult Services Manager, Westlake Porter Public Library, Zone 2
- **Bali Culver**, Children's Services Manager, Morley Library, At-Large
- **Meghan Harper**, Director, Kent State University, Academic
- **Carrie Kibby**, Director, McKinley Memorial Library, At-Large Library
- **Laura Ponikvar**, Director, Cleveland Institute of Art, Academic Library
- **Cheryl Slater**, Director, Kinsman Free Public Library, Zone 5
- **Scott Trimmer**, Learning Commons Director, Cuyahoga Community College – Eastern, At-Large
- **Jennifer Welsh**, Senior Director of Public Services, Stark Library, At-Large

<i>MEETING AGENDA</i>

I. Call to Order

- a. Roll Call
- b. Introduction of Guests
- c. Approval of Agenda*^(V)

II. Approval of March 17, 2026 Minutes (Enclosure 1)* ^(V)

III. Correspondence

IV. Reports

- Financials (Enclosure 2)^{*(RC)}
- Executive Director (Enclosure 3)
- Continuing Education Coordinator (Enclosure 4)
- Marketing and Engagement Coordinator (Enclosure 5)
- Programs and Services Associate (Enclosure 6)
- Board Officers
- Committee Chairs
 - Personnel
 - Review of the Executive Director and Fiscal Officer Evaluations
 - Nominating

V. Current Business

- Board Elections and Open Board Seats Update
- 2025-2028 Strategic Plan Update (Enclosure 7)
- 2027-2028 Dues and Fees Bd Res #2026-20 (Enclosure 8) ^{*(RC)}

VI. New Business

- Update from RLS Directors Meeting
- 2022-2023 Audit Report (Enclosure 9)
- 2026-2027 Board Meeting Locations
- Resolution #2026-21 Bylaws Update (Enclosure 10) ^{*(RC)}
- Resolution #2026-22 Administrative Policy Manual Update (Enclosure 11) ^{*(RC)}
- SLO 3rd Quarter Report (Enclosure 12)
- Budget Appropriation- #2026-23 (Enclosure 13) ^{*(RC)}

VII. Board Development

- a. Wishlist Review
 - i. Board Buddies

VII. Items Too Late For the Agenda

VIII. Public Comments

IX. Upcoming Meetings

RECORDS COMMISSION COMMITTEE

Tuesday, June 16, 2026 | 10:30 a.m.

Holden Arboretum
9550 Sperry Rd
Kirtland, OH 44094

FULL BOARD MEETING

June 16, 2026 | 11:00 a.m.

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VIII. Adjournment

- *indicates vote is needed
- ^(B) indicates vote by Ballot
- ^(RC) indicates vote by Roll Call
- ^(V) indicates vote by Voice