Montgomery County-Norristown Public Library
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 18, 2026, at 4:30 p.m.
MCNPL Community Room, Norristown

PRESENT

Jules DeLuzio	Natasha Halovanic	Theresa Martini	Mary Metz
Elizabeth Naidoo	Raffia Razzak	Mark Turetsky	

ABSENT

Brian Mays Monica D'Antonio

STAFF PRESENT

Karen J. DeAngelo, Executive Director	Cliff Hirst, Executive Assistant
Kimberly Illingworth, Accountant	Kate Shaw, District Consultant
Thomas Fluharty, Director of Operations	

OTHERS PRESENT

None

CALL TO ORDER

President Jules DeLuzio called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Theresa **moved** to approve the minutes of the April 13, 2026, board meeting. Mary **seconded** the motion. **The motion passed.**

REVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The following is a summary of the financial statements for the month ending April 30, 2026, as reviewed at the meeting.

	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
REVENUES		
State, County, and Municipal Support	$3,150,473	$2,904,963
Investment Income (budgeted)	$18,027	$52,667
Grants and Fundraising	$43,420	$60,833
Service Income	$35,715	$22,567
TOTAL REVENUES	**$3,247,635**	**$3,041,029**
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Payroll and benefits	$1,382,933	$1,627,126
Library Materials	$200,784	$265,667
Automation	$84,866	$85,500
Programs	$15,213	$8,333
Facilities and operations	$46,910	$64,000

Admin and general	$57,084	$64,217
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES	**$1,787,790**	**$2,116,176**
NON-OPERATING EXPENSES	**$311,146**	**$319,248**

Mary reviewed the financial statements. Raffia **moved** to file the financial statements for audit. Natasha **seconded** the motion. **The motion passed.**

APPROVAL OF PAYMENTS OVER $1,000

Mary reviewed the payments over $1,000.00 for April 8, 2026 through May 11, 2026. These payments totaled $517,267.33. Elizabeth **moved** to approve the payments over $1,000.00. Theresa **seconded** the motion. **The motion passed.**

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Jules DeLuzio

Jules reported that he, Karen DeAngelo, Monica D'Antonio, and Elizabeth Naidoo attended Montgomery County Chamber of Commerce's event, MontCo Magnified, at which Karen was awarded the Chamber's "Lifetime Dedication Award" on behalf of MCNPL. Jules noted that he had served as a member of the District Negotiated Agreement Advisory Council. Jules encouraged board members to purchase tickets or sponsorships for the forthcoming fundraiser, June Jubilee, to be held at the Elmwood Park Zoo on Thursday, June 11, 2026 from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm. There were no committee reports.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Karen J. DeAngelo

Karen presented her report. Representatives Briggs, Scott, and Webster visited the library for a Keystone Grant check presentation, along with staff from Montgomery County, Representative Bradford's office, and Representative Steve Malagari's office. Many thanks to all who helped us secure this grant.

Montgomery County has applied for and received an additional $850,000 HUD Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 Economic Development Initiative - Community Project Funding (CPF) grant that will support the renovation project at 1001 Powell Street.

We have been holding interviews for the Director of Development position and hope to make an offer soon.

Construction is about resume at Perkiomen Valley Library. Both the Perkiomen Valley and Upper Perkiomen Valley Libraries were invited to apply for DCED grants by State Senator Tracy Pennycuick's office.

Karen thanked the Friends for supporting June Jubilee with a $2,500 sponsorship. The Friends book sale has earned $942.07 year-to-date. The library will send them a check for the net proceeds at the end of this month.

DISTRICT CONSULTANTS' REPORT

Kate Shaw

Kate Shaw presented her report. The second issue of "Checked In," our email newsletter just for board members, is available. Consider having the newsletter delivered to your inbox. See the board hub for links to this and lots of other resources for board members.

The District Negotiated Agreement is being presented on Monday, May 18. Initial response from OCL has been positive and we expect it to be approved by the district directors. Big thanks to the District Advisory Council and especially Katie Dunbar for working on the budget. Kate is working with Elmwood Park Zoo and the libraries for procedures for the zoo's new online platform for community passes.

FRIENDS

Bob Gannon

Bob Gannon was not able to attend the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Elizabeth **moved** to authorize Karen J. DeAngelo to apply for District Library Center Aid on behalf of the District Library Center. Theresa **seconded** the motion. **The motion passed.**

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Mary **moved** to adjourn the meeting. Elizabeth **seconded** the motion. **The motion passed.** Jules adjourned the meeting at 5:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Cliff Hirst, Executive Assistant

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 15, 2026, at 4:30 p.m. This meeting will be virtual only.