

AURORA TOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY
550 Main Street, East Aurora, New York 14052
Agenda of the Board
Regular Monthly Meeting
September 28, 2026, 6:00 p.m.

Present: Martha Buyer, Kara Spencer-Ching, Elaine Chow, Sashi Racho, Adam Zaremski, Paula Ausberger (ATPL Director)

President Adam Zaremski called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

1. Comments from the audience: Sharon Kelly, Central Trustee Library Liaison, making the rounds at local libraries.
2. A motion (MB, KSC) to approve the Minutes of the Meeting: June 22, 2026 was carried by a voice vote.
3. A motion (AZ, SR) to approve the Treasurer's Report: Monthly Financial Statements, Internal Auditor, & Contingency Fund Reports: June, July, & August 2026 was carried by a voice vote.
 - a. Grants with upcoming spending plans
 - b. Donations listed
4. A motion (KSC, MB) to approve the Director's Report: June, July, & August 2026 was carried by a voice vote.
 - a. Up 1.2% year-to-date for patron visitor count
 - b. Encouraging circulation with fun challenges (Check-it Out: 121 participants)
 - c. Outreach at Farmer's Market and GSA Pride Event
 - d. Celebrated America 250 with Great American Trivia Challenge, Extreme Bingo: Red, White, & BOOM, Scavenger Hunt, Happy Birthday, USA Story Time, and Painted Wood American Flag
 - e. EA Chamber Music Festival Free Family-Friendly Music Program
 - f. Bingo – Bookish and Bird (Idea formed by Library Leaders)
 - g. 29 Gold Cards issued
 - h. Summerween programs were popular
 - i. Patrons enjoy a wide-variety of programming
 - j. Community Cookbook submissions due January 2027
 - k. Nursing Home outreach interest inquiry; Library To-Go option from Central Library
5. Reports of Interest
 - a. The Friends Pop-Up Sales made \$227.50 in June, \$200.00 in July, and \$264.00 in August, with the final Pop-Up Sale remaining on Saturday, October 3.
 - b. Find out ways to help defend intellectual freedom this Banned Book Week at ATPL. From October 5 through 10, check out an interactive display to learn what happens when information, ideas, or forms of expression are restricted, removed, or controlled.
 - c. Thanks to a generous donation from Kenneth Kloczek and the Friends of the Library, the Aurora Town Public Library is adding five new Yoto Mini Player Kits for children ages 2–13 to our shelves. The new kits feature five fun themes: Not-So-Scary Stories, Roald

Dahl: The Swashboggling Collection, Enchanting Reads, Summer Vibes, and Animal Adventures.

- d. ATPL is holding a Great Give Back donation drive for FISH of East Aurora October 1-31.
- e. Other
 - a. Girl Scout Silver Award completed: Free Little Food Pantry located near fireplace

6. Personnel

- a. Payroll Report – none available
- b. The Board did not enter Executive Session

7. Old Business

- a. Library Improvements/Expansion
 - a. Williamsville Main St branch similarly situated library, small and pedestrian-friendly
 - b. Boston Library – building greenhouse with grant
 - i. Fundraiser in July – Springville Jazz Band performed, 250 large crowd

8. New Business

- a. A motion (MB, SR) to approve the FOIL Policy – Review & Approve Revisions was carried by a voice vote.
- b. A motion (AZ, KSC) to approve the Exam Proctoring Policy & Request for Proctoring Services Form – Review & Approve was carried by a voice vote.
 - a. Edit V.4. STUDENT RESPONSIBILITIES to “15 minutes before” instead of “within”
- c. A motion (MB, SR) to approve the 2026 Contract – Review & Approve was carried by a voice vote.
- d. Request to Table (MB) - Phone System Estimates
- e. Teen Space Quotes - \$10,000 Funded by With Youth For Youth Grant
 - a. Inventory of spare parts?
 - b. Mid-City Furniture screen is expensive and not in NYS contract
 - c. Buffalo Office Interiors layout with modular furniture for flexibility
 - i. Vinyl colors for finishes will invoke calming nature color palette as requested by the teens (not white, representation only)
 - ii. Seats with backs for support
 - iii. Teens create own art vs. purchase
 - 1. Local artisan leads: Town of Aurora art program or Muse Jar
- d. A motion (KSC, AZ) to approve Buffalo Office Interiors expenditure of \$10,599.27 with \$10,000 from Youth grant and remaining from existing library funds was carried by a voice vote.
- f. Youth Library Programs Interest Survey, Ages 10-25 for Parents/Caregivers Results
- g. ACT meeting Saturday, October 24th Isaias Gonzalez-Soto Branch Library
- h. Board Member (SR) renewal or replacement for future planning
 - a. Possible sub-committee participation (spreadsheets)

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on October 26, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. SR (excused).

A motion (EC, KSC) to adjourn the meeting at 7:03pm was carried by a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Chow
Secretary