

**Orchard Park Public Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
September 16, 2026**

Present

Doug McFarland, President
Christine Tempestoso, Secretary
Ann Marie Newbury, Treasurer
Julia Mombrea, Town of Orchard Park
Tom Carloni, Library Director
Linda Boldt, Friends of the OP Library
Michelle Faust, Potential Board Member

Excused

Rob Kubiak, Trustee
Peggy Snajczuk, Vice President, ACT Liaison
Paul Pietrantone, OPCSD

Opening

The meeting was called to order by Doug McFarland at 6:07PM.

Public Comment

New Librarian Trainee Sarah Welker was hired and introduced herself to the Library Board.

Minutes

The minutes were approved with corrections from the July 21, 2026 meeting with a motion from Doug McFarland and seconded by Ann Marie Newbury. Motion carried.

Financial Update

Ann Marie Newbury presented the financial report stating that the annual distribution from the Community Foundation during the second quarter was about \$2,500. Other notable receipts included donations, memorials and the discarded book sale. Nothing significant was noted in expenses on the library report.

- Operating Funds: Vouchers # 1151-1156
- Local Funds: Voucher # 569-570

Doug McFarland moved to approve the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Christine Tempestoso. Motion carried.

Librarian's Report

Tom Carloni gave the Librarian's Report stating that the library saw a significant increase in numbers throughout the summer. Notable programming included a new crochet circle, Repco wildlife encounters, summer storytime and summer reading promotions. Outreach included the Taste of Orchard Park and the DARE Bike Rodeo.

Doug McFarland moved to approve the Librarian's Report, seconded by Ann Marie Newbury. Motion carried.

Friends of the Library Report

Linda Boldt reported the following:

- One of the longest running members, Phyllis B. passed away. The Friends group, Board and Library will send condolences.
- Fall book sale took in \$1,828 over the course of a 2.5 day event.
- New membership fees from January to August brought in about \$385.
- Donations to the Friends group was about \$840.
- Question about drastic increase to funding for library programming. Tom Carloni will look into the reasoning behind the increase.

ACT Report

Peggy Snajczuk was absent and unable to give the ACT Report. Tom Carloni reported that it has been a quiet summer but a fall meeting is being planned.

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OPCS Liaison Report

Christine Tempestoso reported the 2026-2027 school year is underway with an increase in enrollment for Universal PreK. Arrival and dismissal times have slightly changed at the elementary and middle school. Elementary libraries plan on having an author visit in spring of 2027. The elementary buildings are looking to align their science curriculum themes with the new ELA program.

Other

Doug McFarland mentioned looking into prepping the building to Fall and Winter weather.

Resignation

Ann Marie Newbury has submitted her resignation as Treasurer of the Orchard Park Public Library Board. The library, board members and friends group thanks her for her commitment and endless advocacy to the library.

Board Member

Doug McFarland moved to recommend Michelle Faust as Treasurer of the Orchard Park Public Library Board. Seconded by Christine Tempestoso. Motion carried.

Disaster Plan Outline

Tom Carloni stated that NYS Minimum Requirements call for an updated Disaster Plan by January 1, 2027 with a more comprehensive plan than our current Emergency Procedures Plan. Tom will be attending the NYS library conference in the fall and will participate in professional development on this topic.

Library Space Discussion

Rob Kubiak was absent and unable to present the next draft of the community survey. Tabled until the November meeting.

M&T Bank CD Renewal

Ann Marie Newbury presented that two 12 month CD's are expected to mature at the end of October 2026. Doug McFarland motioned to approve that assuming rates are favorable both CD's can be renewed for an additional 12 months. Seconded by Christine Tempestoso. Motion carried.

Book Sale & OP Festival of the Arts

The Friends of the Library book sale coincided with the OP Festival of the Arts. Linda Boldt stated that increased traffic helped support the book sale and would prefer the same date next year.

2026 Trustee Education

Tom Carloni reminded Board members to complete their required 2 hour continuing education.

Adjournment

Doug McFarland moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Christine Tempestoso. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:17PM.

The next Board of Trustees meeting is November 17, 2026 at 6:00pm.

Respectfully submitted by Christine Tempestoso, Secretary.