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**BRIDGEVIEW PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
June 8, 2026**

President Marwan Al Safadi called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Upon roll call the following Trustees were present: Alice Porfirio, Alice Vilimek, Anna Ziaja-Castillo, Betty Martinez, Nick Lamnatos, Anthony Roeback and Marwan Al Safadi

Absent: All Present

Attendees: Assistant Director Kathryn Blessman & Attorney Safaa Zarzour

President Marwan Al Safadi led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2026-022 Motion by Trustee Castillo and seconded by Trustee Vilimek approve the agenda.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: 7 Porfirio, Castillo, Vilimek, Martinez, Al Safadi, Lamnatos & Roeback

Nay: 0

Absent: 0 All Present

Motion Carried

2026-023 Motion by Trustee Al Safadi and seconded by Trustee Martinez approve Open Session minutes for May 11, 2026.

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: 6 Porfirio, Castillo, Vilimek, Martinez, Al Safadi, & Roeback

Nay: 0

Absent: 0 All Present

Abstain 1 Lamnatos

Motion Carried

2026-024 Motion by Trustee Martinez and seconded by Trustee Porfirio to approve the three consents

Agenda Items as Listed:

- a. Approval of Treasurer's Report – May 2026
- b. Prepaid Bills in the Amount of \$82,295.62
- c. Bills in the Amount of \$33,805.94

Upon roll call vote:

Ayes: 6 Porfirio, Castillo, Vilimek, Martinez, Al Safadi, Lamnatos & Roeback

Nay: 0

Absent: 0 All Present

Motion Carried

○ **Directors Report:**

Assistant Director Kathryn provided an update on the following:

- No major updates in reference to projects
- Trustee and others complimented the newly installed flooring

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- **Attorney Report:**
 - Attorney Zarzour – Provided a recap on the recent water damage caused by the cooler dispenser vendor. The leak occurred after installation, resulting in damage to the library walls and extending into the lower level of the building over the weekend.
- **Committee Report**
 - Finance – no report
 - Policy/By-Laws – no report
- **Unfinished Business items:**
 - None
- **New Business:**
 - None
- **Items for next Agenda**
 - None
- **Comments:** Trustee Porfirio is requesting greater visibility into supporting documentation for large expenditures before approving bills, itemized detail invoices, project scope, non-routine expenditures received additional review prior to payment. All should be shared prior to payment.

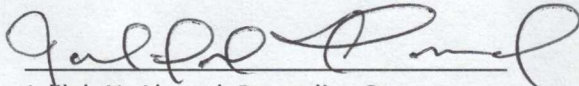
2026-025 Motion by Trustee Martinez and seconded by Trustee Castillo to adjourn.

Upon voice vote with all Trustees ayes and no nays:

Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:24pm

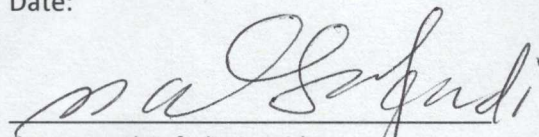
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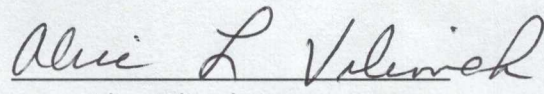

Jannah N. Ahmad, Recording Secretary

Approved:

07/13/2026

Date:


Marwan Al Safadi, President


Alice Vilimek, Secretary