

**Hinsdale Public Library**  
Regular Board Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, May 27, 2025, 7:00 pm  
Community Meeting Room

**I**     Call to Order

Acting President Sokolowski called the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Hinsdale Public Library to order at 7:00 pm on May 27, 2025.

**Present:**                   Magda Sokolowski, Acting President; Megan Mikhail, Treasurer; Chun Ye, Secretary Pro Tem, Jay Hines-Shah, Trustee; Carissa Kapcar, Trustee; Kim Kiyosaki, Trustee  
**Also Present:**         Karen Kleckner Keefe, Executive Director; Lizzy Boden, Assistant Director; Julie Prieto, Office Manager  
**Absent:**                   John Bloomfield, President  
**Citizens Present:**     None

**II**     Citizens' Comments  
None.

**III**    Consent Agenda  
A. Approval of the 4/22/25 Library Board Meeting Minutes  
B. Approval of the 5/1/25 Trustee Orientation Meeting Minutes  
C. Treasurer's Report  
D. Accounts Payable

**MOTION: MOTION TO APPROVE THE 4/22/25 LIBRARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES, 5/1/25 TRUSTEE ORIENTATION MEETING MINUTES, TREASURER'S REPORT, AND ACCOUNTS PAYABLE.**

**FIRST: KAPCAR**

**SECOND: KIYOSAKI**

**UNANIMOUS APPROVAL**

**IV**     Executive Director's Report

Keefe shared materials from the last space improvement plan meeting. The color scheme "a modern nod to history" was the preferred option and the next meeting will spend time on furniture needs.

The Youth and Young Adult Services Manager has resigned for a similar position at a larger library. Thursday, June 5<sup>th</sup> is her last day. The team is fully staffed, and she completed all the preparation for summer reading. The current Youth and Young Adult Services Assistant Manager will become the Interim Manager and lead the team until a new Manager is named. Recruiting has begun and is expected to be completed by mid-June.

Trustee Hines-Shah referred Keefe to Strategic Plan progress summary. He finds the charts very helpful. He asked if the items with zero progress have been deferred. Keefe said that most of them are yes/no decisions that haven't happened yet.

**V**     President's Report

Acting President Sokolowski welcomed new Trustees to their first meeting in their new capacity. She added that she has been participating in the space plan improvement meetings with the architects and is very excited about what is happening.

**VI**     Committee Reports

A. Art Commission

The Commission has not met since the last Board meeting but will meet at the end of July to vote on photo exhibit submissions. The library is promoting the exhibit through the summer newsletter, social media, e-blasts, and in-house postings.

B. Friends of the Library

Friends have not met since the last Board meeting. Next meeting is planned for 9/9/2025 at 7 pm, with an open house planned the same day at 6 pm. They are hoping to recruit new Board members. Anyone interested is encouraged to learn more about the Friends.

**VII**     Unfinished Business

None.

**VIII**     New Business

A. Presentation of Officer Slate

Below are the nominations presented at last month's Board meeting:

John Bloomfield, President  
Magda Sokolowski, Vice President  
Jay Hines-Shah, Treasurer  
Chun Ye, Secretary

There are no additional nominations from the floor.

B. Elect Officers

**MOTION: MOTION TO ELECT THE OFFICER SLATE AS PRESENTED ABOVE AND IN THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES FROM 4/11/25**

**FIRST: MIKHAIL**

**SECOND: KIYOSAKI**

**UNANIMOUS APPROVAL ON A ROLL CALL VOTE**

C. ReThink Owner Solutions Construction Management Proposal

Justin Pathmann joined from ReThink Owner Solutions to answer questions about his proposal to lead construction management for the upcoming space improvement plan. Based on several Trustee questions, Pathmann shared the following information.

Pathmann has worked for the Hinsdale Public Library on past projects and is familiar with the building. Pathmann and other ReThink staff have also worked with several nearby libraries, such as Elmhurst, Indian Trails and Westmont.

Pathmann discussed that there are two general project delivery methods – construction management ("CM") and general construction ("GC"). A GC model is one homeowners tend to be more familiar with. Under that model, based on architects' drawings, GCs bid

on an entire construction project. Once selected, they manage construction day-to-day by either hiring sub-contractors or by doing the work with in-house teams, depending upon the trade.

Under the CM model, ReThink would start work before the bidding process. They would first assess the architects' drawings, looking for deficiencies or pitfalls based on their prior experiences with the building and the Village of Hinsdale. The CM will work to either eliminate the pitfalls or make sure that bid requests contemplate the full scope of work.

Once drawings are final, ReThink would break the work into bid packages. Instead of one GC bid, ReThink will get a separate bid for each trade such as plumbing and electrical. ReThink would help the library manage the bidding process and vet all sub-contractors.

ReThink works on a flat monthly fee. They will have a Superintendent on site every day during construction. Pathmann will work to reduce unexpected expenses and plan for enough money in contingency to cover what truly cannot be anticipated.

Pathmann left the meeting and the Board discussed his proposal.

**MOTION: MOTION TO APPROVE THE RETHINK PROPOSAL.**

**FIRST: KIYOSAKI**

**SECOND: HINES-SHAH**

**UNANIMOUS APPROVAL ON A ROLL CALL VOTE**

**D. 3D Printing Policy**

**MOTION: MOTION TO APPROVE THE REVISED 3D PRINTING POLICY.**

**FIRST: MIKHAIL**

**SECOND: KIYOSAKI**

**UNANIMOUS APPROVAL**

**IX     Citizens' Comments**  
None.

**X       Trustees' Comments**  
Trustees shared kudos on the library publicity in The Hinsdalean. John Kokoris' article was phenomenal.

**XI     Schedule of Upcoming Meetings**

Space Plan Committee Meeting	6/4/25	11:00 am
Committee of the Whole	6/18/25	12:00 pm
Space Plan Committee Meeting	6/23/25	1:00 pm
Library Board Meeting	6/24/25	7:00 pm
Friends of the Library	9/9/25	6:00 pm
Art Commission Meeting	TBD	TBD

**XII    Adjournment**

**MOTION: MOTION TO ADJOURN THE HPL BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING AT 8:06 PM.**

**FIRST: KIOSAKI**

**SECOND: YE**

**UNANIMOUS APPROVAL**