



**BALDWIN PUBLIC LIBRARY MINUTES,  
REGULAR MEETING  
January 21, 2026**

Call to Order and Roll Call:

The meeting was called to order by President Danielle Rumble at 7:30 p.m.

Library Board present: Wendy Friedman, Pam Graham, Karen Rock, Danielle Rumble, Jennifer Wheeler, and Student Representative Marina Awad (via Zoom).

Absent and excused: Frank Pisano.

Library Staff present: Rebekah Craft, Director, Jaclyn Miller, Associate Director and Robert Stratton, Office Administrator.

Friends of the Library liaison present: None.

Contract community representatives present: None.

Members of the public present: 4 in person.

All present recited the Pledge of Allegiance following establishment of quorum.

Rock read aloud the Library's Mission Statement.

1. General Public Comment Period: Carlton Jones, a newly elected member of the Pontiac Public Library Board, expressed thanks to Wendy Friedman, Rebekah Craft, and H Jennings for meeting with him so that he could learn more about Baldwin and how the library board operates.

2. Consent Agenda:

**Motion to approve the consent agenda.**

**A. Approval of December 15, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes**

**B. Approval of December 2025 vendor payments in the amount of \$160,009.75, including payments in excess of \$75,000.**

**C. Approval of total expenses in the amount of \$482,442.61**

**1st** Wheeler

**2nd** Friedman

A roll call vote was taken.

Yeas: Friedman, Graham, Rock, Rumble, Wheeler.

Nays: None.

Absent and excused: Pisano.

The motion was approved unanimously.

3. Board Reports and Special Announcements:

**President's report:** Rumble reported how pleased she is with the BPL app.

**Board comments:** Friedman and Graham echoed Rumble's comments on the app.

**Staff Anniversaries:** Friedman recognized the following staff anniversaries: Jaclyn Miller (5 years of service) and Caroline Salucci (21 years).

**Upcoming events of interest:** Miller reported upcoming events at the Library, full details of which are on pages 35-36 of the January Board packet.

4. Board Committee Reports

**Finance Committee:**

Friedman reported that the Finance Committee met on January 12. Present were Friedman, Rumble, Craft, and Miller. Full minutes from this meeting are on page 14 of the January Board packet. The next meeting of the Finance Committee will take place on Monday, February 9, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. in the Director's Alcove.

**Building Committee:**

Graham reported that the Building Committee met on January 12. Present were Graham, Rock, Rumble, Craft, and Miller. Full minutes from this meeting are on page 17 of the January Board packet. The next meeting of the Building Committee will take place on Monday, February 9, 2026 at 4:30 p.m. in the Director's Alcove.

5. Library Report:

Craft and Miller presented highlights from the Library Report. Full details of the complete report are on pages 19-32 of the January Board packet.

Craft presented a new Statistical Dashboard layout with additional statistics and there was some discussion on changes requested. Craft reported the Friends approved around \$27,000 of Library wish list items during their last Board meeting.

Craft noted that Robert Stratton submitted the 2025 State Aid Report and that it was included on pages 42-75 of the January Board packet.

6. Liaisons

Friends: There was no report.

Beverly Hills: There was no report.

Bloomfield Hills: There was no report.

Bingham Farms: There was no report.

7. New & Miscellaneous Business: None.

8. Unfinished Business: None.

9. Items Removed from Consent Agenda: None.

10. Information Only: See pages 34-75 of the December Board packet.

11. Adjournment:

**Motion to adjourn the meeting.**

**1st** Rock

**2nd** Friedman

A voice vote was taken.  
Yeas: Friedman, Graham, Rock, Rumble, Wheeler.  
Nays: None.  
Absent and excused: Pisano.  
The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 p.m. A special board meeting to conduct the director's annual review is scheduled for Monday, February 2 at 4:00 p.m. in the Delos Board room. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 23, 2026 at 7:30 p.m. in the Rotary & Donor Room.

Wendy Friedman, Secretary                      2/23/2026  
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