

MINUTES - DRAFT

City of Orange

Orange Public Library Board of Trustees

May 18, 2026

The Orange Public Library Board of Trustees of the City of Orange, California convened on May 18, 2026 at 3:30 p.m. in a Regular Meeting in the Rotary Room of the Orange Public Library & History Center, 407 E. Chapman Avenue, Orange, California 92866.

1. OPENING/CALL TO ORDER

Chair Martinez called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

1.1 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Trustee Stevens led the flag salute.

1.2 ROLL CALL

Present: Stevens, Cazares, Zimmerman, and Martinez

Absent: Huber

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1 Approval of minutes of the Orange Public Library Board of Trustees Regular Meeting held on April 20, 2026

A motion was made by Trustee Zimmerman, seconded by Trustee Stevens, to approve the minutes as presented.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Stevens, Cazares, Zimmerman, and Martinez

Noes: None

Absent: Huber

4. FRIENDS OF THE ORANGE PUBLIC LIBRARY REPORT

Amy Harpster, Assistant Library Director, provided updates on the following on behalf of the Friends of the Orange Public Library ("Friends"):

- The Friends will hold a Summer Children's Reading Sale on June 13, 2026.

5. ORANGE PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION REPORT

Chair Martinez and Amy Harpster, Assistant Library Director, provided updates on the following on behalf of the Orange Public Library Foundation ("Foundation"):

- Results of the Pancake Breakfast fundraiser held on May 2, 2026 with appreciation to the Trustees for attending the event.
- A special summer series of S.T.E.A.M. for grades 1-6 program will be held in conjunction with the Lunch at the Library program.

6. LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

6.1 Library Services Director's Report and Updates on Library Services

Leslie Hardy, Community and Library Services Director and Amy Harpster, Assistant Library Director, provided an update on Community and Library Services, including:

- Literacy statistics.
- Library staff, recruitments, and scheduling.
- The El Modena Branch Library will curate its own local history exhibit space.
- Departmental grants and proposed budgets for Fiscal Year 2027.
- The OPL Statistics at a Glance - March 2026 report was received and filed.

7. BOARD REPORTS

7.1 Reports from Chair

Chair Martinez reported the following:

- Chair Martinez shared feedback from the Orange Unified School District's (OUSD) media specialists who attended a tour of the Library on April 28, 2026.
- Chair Martinez received requests from OUSD for the Pop-Up Library to attend a Resource Fair event at El Modena High School in the fall.

7.2 Reports from Trustees

None.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

The next Regular Orange Public Library Board of Trustees meeting will be held on Monday, June 15, 2026 at 3:30 p.m. in the Rotary Room of the Orange Public Library & History Center.

Leslie Hardy
Community and Library Services Director