

MID-HUDSON LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES BOARD MEETING

Friday, September 12, 2025 | 10:00am - 12:00pm | Beekman Library

AGENDA

1. ROLL CALL AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

	Present	Absent/Excused	Absent/Unexcused
Stuart Auchincloss (U)	☐	☐	☐
Peter Carey (P)	☐	☐	☐
Kevin Finnegan (P)	☐	☐	☐
Leslie Gerber (U)	☐	☐	☐
Kenneth Goldberg (U)	☐	☐	☐
Rajene Hardeman (D)	☐	☐	☐
Charles Kutcher (G)	☐	☐	☐
Jill Leinung (C)	☐	☐	☐
Jenny Post (C)	☐	☐	☐
Barry Ramage (D)	☐	☐	☐
Janet Schnitzer (C)	☐	☐	☐
Thomas Silvius (G)	☐	☐	☐
Barbara Swanson (G)	☐	☐	☐
Carla Taylor (P)	☐	☐	☐
Mark Williams (D)	☐	☐	☐

2. PRESIDENT'S REPORT (5 minutes) B. Ramage
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (1 minute) B. Ramage
A. [*Minutes of the July Meeting \(Doc. 3.A\)](#)
4. TREASURER'S REPORTS (5 minutes) S. Auchincloss
A. [*July Financial Report \(Doc. 4.A\)](#)
B. [*August Financial Report \(Doc 4.B\)](#)
5. REPORT OF PAYMENT OF BILLS (5 minutes)
A. *July 2025 B. Swanson
B. *August 2025 C. Taylor
6. DIRECTOR'S REPORT (6) (25 minutes) R. Aldrich
A. [*Personnel Actions \(Doc. 6.A\)](#)
B. Staff
a. [MHLS Staff Reports \(Doc. 6.D.a\)](#)
b. [Correspondence Recognizing Staff \(Doc. 6.D.b\)](#)

7. **DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION LIAISON REPORT** (5 minutes) C. Fortier
8. **FINANCE COMMITTEE** (10 minutes) S. Auchincloss
- A. [Finance Committee Meeting Notes \(Doc. 8.A\)](#)
- B. [*Mid-Year Budget Adjustments \(Doc. 8.B\)](#)
- C. [*Amendments to the MHLS Fiscal Policies \(Doc. 8.C\)](#)
9. **INCENTIVES COMMITTEE** (15 minutes) C. Taylor
- A. [Incentive Committee Meeting Notes \(Doc. 9.A\)](#)
- B. [*Approval of the MHLS Construction Application \(Doc. 9.Bi\)](#) and [*Application Assurances \(Doc. 9.Bii\)](#)
- C. [*Recommended State Aid for Library Construction Award Amounts \(Doc. 9.C\)](#)
10. **WORKING GROUP REPORTS** (10 minutes) J. Leinung
- A. [Government and Community Relations Working Group Meeting Notes \(Doc. 10.A\)](#)
11. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS** (1 minute)
12. **NEW BUSINESS** (10 minutes) R. Aldrich
- A. [*Delivery Services Contract \(see Directors Report, Doc. 6\)](#)
- B. *2026 Board Meeting Dates
- Saturday, January 17 (meeting + lunch and orientation in the MHLS Auditorium)
 - Wednesday, March 18 (meeting in the MHLS Auditorium)
 - Friday, May 22 (meeting at a member library location TBD)
 - Tuesday, July 14 (meeting + luncheon with MHLS staff in the MHLS Auditorium)
 - Thursday, September 10 (meeting at a member library location TBD)
 - Friday, October 23 (Annual Membership Meeting, hopefully at The Wallace Center at the FDR Presidential Library & Museum)
 - Thursday, December 10 (meeting in the MHLS Auditorium)
13. **ORIENTATION** (10 minutes) R. Aldrich
- A. [An introduction to the National Climate Action Strategy for Libraries \(Doc. 13. A\)](#)
14. **PUBLIC COMMENT** (10 minutes) B. Ramage
- A. Board Members
- B. Visitors
15. **ADJOURNMENT**

The board meeting will be followed by a tour of the Beekman Library.