

**LORAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY SYSTEM  
LORAIN, OHIO**

**ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, January 16, 2025

President Snipes-Martin called the meeting to order at 4:38 p.m. President Snipes-Martin asked if any Board members had a conflict with the agenda. No Trustees indicated a conflict with the business for this evening.

**Roll Call** - Ms. Snipes-Martin, yes; Ms. McClelland, yes; Ms. Torres, yes; Mr. Ackerman, yes; Mr. Byrne, yes

**#2025-001 Reappointment of Melissa Perez Ramirez as Library Trustee**

Mr. Ackerman moved, Ms. McClelland seconded to approve the Reappointment of Melissa Perez Ramirez as Library Trustee.

**Roll Call for Resolution #2025-001 – Ms. Snipes-Martin, yes; Ms. McClelland, yes; Ms. Torres, yes; Mr. Ackerman, yes; Mr. Byrne, yes**

**#2025-002 Approval of 2025 Lorain Public Library Board of Trustees Officers**

Ms. Torres moved, Mr. Ackerman seconded to approve the 2025 Lorain Public Library Board of Trustees Officers:

**Ms. Tiffany McClelland, President**

Ms. Torres moved, Mr. Byrne seconded to appoint Ms. Tiffany McClelland as President of the 2025 Lorain Public Library Board of Trustees.

**Ms. Melissa Perez Ramirez, Vice President**

Ms. McClelland moved, Mr. Byrne seconded to appoint Ms. Melissa Perez Ramirez as Vice President of the 2025 Lorain Public Library Board of Trustees.

**Ms. Milagros Torres, Secretary**

Ms. McClelland moved, Mr. Byrne seconded to appoint Ms. Milagros Torres as Secretary of the 2025 Lorain Public Library Board of Trustees.

**Roll Call for Resolution #2025-002: yeas, unanimous**

**Statement of Expectations** – President Snipes-Martin commented that the Trustees are asked yearly to review and sign the Statement of Expectations for Board members.

**#2025-003 Approval of 2025 Committees**

Director Diamond-Ortiz explained the different committees and nominations were given for Board members to serve on the committees.

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| Library Services & Personnel:     | Melissa Perez Ramirez, Chair<br>Terry Byrne<br>Millie Torres                       |
| Finance, Audit & Properties:      | Terry Byrne, Chair<br>Richard Ackerman<br>Pending Approval of new Trustee          |
| Trustee Development & Nominating: | Richard Ackerman, Chair<br>Monica Snipes-Martin<br>Pending Approval of new Trustee |
| Lorain County Trustees Council:   | Monica Snipes-Martin<br>Millie Torres<br>Tiffany McClelland                        |
| Liaison to Foundation of LPLS:    | Melissa Perez Ramirez  |

Ms. Torres moved, Ms. McClelland seconded to approve the 2025 committees.

**Roll Call for Resolution #2025-003: yeas, unanimous**

**#2025-004 2025 Board of Trustees Meeting Dates**

**2025 Board Meetings**

January 16, 2025	Avon Branch
February 20, 2025	North Ridgeville Branch
March 20, 2025	Domonkas Branch
April 17, 2025	South Lorain Branch
May 15, 2025	Columbia Branch
June 19, 2025	Main Branch
July 17, 2025	Avon Branch
August 21, 2025	Main Branch
September 18, 2025	Domonkas Branch
October 16, 2025	South Lorain Branch
November 20, 2025	Columbia Branch
December 18, 2025	North Ridgeville Branch

\*All board meetings begin at 5:00 p.m.

Mr. Byrne moved, Ms. Ramirez seconded to approve the 2025 board meeting dates.

**Roll Call for Resolution #2025-004: yeas, unanimous**

**#2025-005 Appoint Chad Angney, Chief Fiscal Officer and Clerk of the Board, through December 31, 2025, upon Execution of a Surety Bond in the amount of \$100,000**

Mr. Ackerman moved, Ms. Torres seconded the appointment of Chad Angney, Chief Fiscal Officer and Clerk of the Board, through December 31, 2025, upon Execution of a Surety Bond in the amount of \$100,000.

**Roll Call for Resolution #2025-005: yeas, unanimous**

**#2025-006 Appoint Connie Wilson, Assistant Fiscal Officer, through December 31, 2025, upon Execution of a Surety Bond in the amount of \$100,000**

Mr. Ackerman moved, Ms. Ramirez seconded the appointment of Connie Wilson, Assistant Chief Fiscal Officer through December 31, 2025, upon Execution of a Surety Bond in the amount of \$100,000.

**Roll Call for Resolution #2025-006: yeas, unanimous**

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

Milagros Jones  
President  
Secretary

Angie McAllister  
Secretary  
President (mt)