

**OCPL Board of Trustees
Executive Committee Meeting**

Apr. 15, 2026

Minutes

ATTENDING

Sam Edelstein, President

Mary Bilbo Coughlin, Vice President

Jill Hurst-Wahl, Immediate Past President

Amanda Prerrine, Executive Director

Timothy "Noble" Jennings-Bey

Rebecca Gilbert

Kimberly Lighton

Deborah Terpening

EXCUSED

Brianah Lane, Treasurer

Meeting was called to order at 3:07 p.m. by Sam Edelstein.

The group discussed safety and security at the Central Library. Information on changes already put into place and possible changes to implement were discussed.

Amanda noted that other public libraries have found that having social workers available to work with patrons and community members has had the biggest positive impact. Social workers would be from a partner organization and would not be library employees.

Noble said that trauma is an invisible demon and noted that traumatized people are not triggered at the library because they find it to be safe and comfortable.

Amanda and her staff will be working on a comprehensive operational plan to deal with incidents inside the Central Library. Amanda will provide a timeline for review.

The group also discussed the community room for Petit Library and received a status report.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.