

SHIAWASSEE DISTRICT LIBRARY BOARD  
REGULAR MEETING  
28 JANUARY 2026

PRESENT:

LONA OLIVER, PRESIDENT  
DALE DEGARMO, VICE PRESIDENT  
MICHELLE COLLISON, SECRETARY  
LAURA SAYLES, TREASURER  
ELAINE KUCHAR  
JAMIE SEMANS  
MICHAEL HOOD

EXCUSED:

JOE PERRI

ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: KIMBERLY WHITE, NANCY FOLARON

Oliver called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

Approval of Agenda: DeGarmo moved to approve the agenda; seconded by Collison; motion carried.

Minutes: Kuchar moved to approve the minutes from the January 15, 2026 special meeting; seconded by Sayles; motion carried.

Collison moved to amend the minutes from the January 15, 2026 special meeting to correct the amount to up to \$3,500 for payment for the building inspection; seconded by Semans; motion carried.

Citizen Comments: None.

Financial Reports: DeGarmo moved to authorize the director to renew the LAFCU CD; seconded by Hood; motion carried

Financial reports from November and December 2025 were submitted. Kuchar moved to approve the financial reports; seconded by Semans; motion carried.

Submission of Bills for Affirmation December 2025 and January 2026, ACH and Check Registers dated Dec. 22, 2025, January 6, January 20, and January 28, 2026: Collison moved to approve the submission of bills for affirmation; seconded by Sayles; motion carried.

Director's Report: We are contracting with Resourceful Recycling for pickup at Durand and Owosso for about \$100 per month. Aside from paper and cardboard, they will also pick up paperback and hardcover books and will have a secure shredding bin at Owosso.

Several libraries are leaving MMLC, our library cooperative. This will likely cause a substantial reduction in funding for the technology grants. White will keep us informed about further developments.

White has been reporting on 2025 activities and the Oliver St. building to the participating municipalities.

Committee Reports: There were no committee meetings.

Friends of the Library Reports: Owosso Friends are holding a fundraiser by selling tickets for the Curwood Festival duck race.

The Durand Friends did not meet in January but will meet in February.

Correspondence: The Cook Foundation has written a letter of support for the Oliver St. building project that can be used for applying for grants.

Publicity: Staff are creating and posting reels on our social media accounts. The reels are generating many views and attention.

Open Issues: Oliver St. building:

White will submit the special land use application for the Owosso Planning Commission tomorrow and we will be on the agenda for the February 23 meeting.

The parking lot is the only area located in the flood plain. We will need liability for that area, but not flood insurance. No concerning issues were found during the inspection of the new building.

DeGarmo moved to authorize White to spend up to \$5,000 for an inspection of the sewer system; Kuchar seconded. Ayes: Collison, DeGarmo, Hood, Kuchar, Oliver, Sayles and Semans. Nays: None. Motion approved.

The garage is located on the property line between the new building and the property to the east. White is having the attorney draw up a maintenance plan for the garage between SDL and the owner of the connecting property.

New Business:

DeGarmo moved to pay \$40,345.77 from our 16(4) funds at MMLC for the Technology Upgrades as proposed; seconded by Collison. Ayes: Collison, DeGarmo, Hood, Kuchar, Oliver, Sayles and Semans. Nays: None. Motion approved.

White is gathering proposals for facilitators to conduct townhall meetings for community on the Oliver St. building.

Degarmo moved to approve resolution 26-02 to authorize the Director to execute the closing documents for the Oliver St. property; seconded by Hood. Ayes: Collison, DeGarmo, Hood, Kuchar, Oliver, Sayles and Semans. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Discussion:/Announcements/Requests for information: None.

Adjourn: DeGarmo moved to adjourn at 7:36 p.m; seconded by Semans; motion carried.



Michelle Collison  
Board Secretary

Attachments to original