

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2026

5:30pm - 7:30pm

Brighthouse Library Board Room

5:15pm: [Presentation and Photograph: Friends of the Library 2025 donation](#)

1. Call to Order and Welcome

The Richmond Public Library is located on the ancestral territory of the hən̓q̓əmin̓əŋ (hung – ka – me – num) speaking peoples.

Welcome: new Library Board Trustees Gina Mahil and Bryan Tisdall.

Note: Truth & Reconciliation Day falls on the last Wednesday of the month in September, requiring the Board Meeting to reschedule to September 23.

2. Approval of Agenda

Attached

3. Election of 2026 Board Chair and Vice Chair

(a) RPL Board Executive Roles – Position Responsibilities

Attached

(b) Election Process

Attached

4. Business Section

(a) Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of November 26, 2025

Attached

(b) Business Arising

None

(c) Correspondence

i. November 26, 2025 – City of Richmond re: Appointments to the RPL Board

Attached

ii. December 16, 2025 – Richmond Community Foundation re: 2025 Investment Income

Attached

a. RPL Completed 2025 Investment Income Allocation Form

Attached

iii. December 8, 2025 – InterLINK Executive Director re: Provisional 2026 InterLINK Budget

Attached

iv. January 8, 2026 – RPL Chief Librarian re: W. Jang In-Kind Donation

Attached

5. Presentations

(a) Freedom to Read (*P. He*)

i. Executive Summary – Freedom to Read Week

Attached

ii. 41 Challenged Publications – Freedom to Read Week

Attached

6. Community

(a) Councillor's Report

Attached

(b) Friends of the Library Report

None

7. Board - Items for Decision and/or Discussion

(a) 2026 InterLINK Provisional Budget (*S. Walters*)

Attached

*Notice
of
Motion*

THAT, the Richmond Public Library Board receives the Provisional 2026 InterLINK Budget as an item for information.

Notice of Motion	(b) Executive Summary of 2025 Preliminary Year End Financials (<i>E. Yu</i>)	Attached
	(c) Board Policy (<i>J. Gervès-Keen</i>)	
	i. B-GOV-02.6 Intellectual Freedom Policy	Attached
	THAT, the Richmond Public Library Board adopt the Intellectual Freedom Policy.	
	(d) Strategic Plan 2024-2028: 2025 Q4 Progress Report	Attached
	i. Memo #7	Attached
	ii. Memo #15	Attached
	(e) Incident Reports: Statistics and Trends 2023-2025 (<i>A. Bechard</i>)	Attached
	(f) 2025 Operational Statistics (<i>C. Leung</i>)	
	i. Q4 Operational Statistics	Attached
	ii. Annual Operational Statistics	Attached
8.	<u>Standing Items</u>	
	(a) Roundtable Discussion	Verbal
	(b) Committee Appointments	Attached
	(c) Steveston Community Centre and Library Committee (<i>S. Rahman</i>)	Verbal
	(d) InterLINK Report (<i>2026 Tuesday meeting dates: Feb. 24, Apr. 28, Sep. 29 and Nov. 24</i>)	None
	(e) Finance Committee	Item 7.0b
	(f) Fund Development Committee	None
	(g) Governance Committee	Item 7.0c
9.	<u>Chief Librarian's Report</u>	Verbal
10.	<u>Operations</u>	
	(a) Library Operations Highlights Report	Attached
	(b) Marketing Annual Report (<i>M. Dawson</i>)	Attached
11.	<u>Items for Information</u>	
	(a) FOL Membership http://www.richmondfol.ca/how-to-join.html	Link
	(b) Invitations:	
	i. Celebrating Black History Month: Sunday, February 1, 10:00am-4:00pm, Brighthouse Library	
	ii. Film Screening and Storytelling with Author Richard Van Camp: Wednesday, February 11, 6:00-8:00pm, Theatre Under the Stairs, Richmond Cultural Centre	
12.	<u>Other Business/Discussions</u>	None

Next Meeting: Wednesday, February 28, 2026 at 5:30pm

Adjourn