



Ajax Public Library Board

Board Meeting Agenda

October 16, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

Library Board

Piyali Correya (Chair)

Deborah McDougall Jones (Vice-Chair)

Voytek Bialkowski

Sepelene Deonarine

Mallik Fernando

Rebecca Hayes

Pia Kaukoranta Vahabi

Regional Councillor Sterling Lee

Douglas Miller

Library Staff

Sarah Vaisler, Chief Librarian & Executive Officer and Secretary/Treasurer

Melissa Redden, Manager of Public Service

Jason Tooral, Manager of Corporate Services

Joanne Yellapa, Coordinator of Performance Measures and Special Projects

Sai Mahendran, Executive Assistant

1. Call to Order

2. Land Acknowledgement

We would like to begin this meeting by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is situated within the traditional and treaty territory of the Mississaugas. More specifically, the Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation, signatories of the Gunshot Treaty of 1788 and the Williams Treaties of 1923. This land is, and will continue to be, home to the Indigenous Peoples. Let us acknowledge the mistakes and traumas of the past through authenticity and support truth and reconciliation. Let us engage and celebrate Indigenous communities by being leaders of action in acknowledging the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's recommendations towards truth and reconciliation. Let us keep these principles close, as we continue towards truth and reconciliation and as we move forward with kindness and respect as a community.

3. Approval of the Agenda

- 3.1 Trustees who wish to add items to the agenda may request the Chairperson's permission at this time. This includes items of New Business. The Chairperson will rule on the request and such ruling may be challenged or appealed, in which case a majority vote can sustain or overrule the decision of the Chairperson (not debatable).

MOTION: That the Ajax Public Library Board approve the agenda of the October 16, 2025, Board Meeting.

4. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

5. Guest Presentations

Joanne Yellapa, Coordinator of Performance Measures and Special Projects –
Service Area Update

6. Consent Agenda

- 6.1 Minutes from meeting of September 18, 2025
- 6.2 Chief Librarian's Report
- 6.3 September Financial Compliance Report
- 6.4 September Financial Report
- 6.5 Committee Composition and Work Plan
- 6.6 2025 Annual Agenda/Work Plan
- 6.7 Staff Report – Q3 2025 Donations Report
- 6.8 Staff Report – Q3 2025 Board Expense Report
- 6.9 Staff Report – Staff Training & Development Report

The Chairperson will review the items of the consent agenda and ask if any item should be removed and placed on the regular agenda for discussion.

MOTION: That the Ajax Public Library Board approve the consent agenda as presented/amended.

7. Correspondence

None.

8. Other Business

- 8.1 TAC Update – Tanvi Lee
- 8.2 Council Update – Regional Councillor Sterling Lee
- 8.3 Internal Monitoring Report – Executive Limitations 3.3 Communication and Counsel to the Board

MOTION: That the Ajax Public Library Board has received the monitoring report for Executive Limitations 3.3 Communication and Counsel to the Board and agrees that it provides reasonable interpretation of the policy and evidence of compliance.

8.4 Internal Monitoring Report – Executive Limitations 3.7 Financial Planning/Budgeting Policy

MOTION: That the Ajax Public Library Board has received the monitoring report for Executive Limitations 3.7 Financial Planning/Budgeting Policy and agrees that it provides reasonable interpretation of the policy and evidence of compliance.

8.5 Board Report – Review of Ends Policy

8.6 Committee Updates

8.7 Village Branch Commemoration – video for display

8.8 Announcements

9. Closed Session

9.1 Personnel Matter

To discuss personal matters about an identifiable individual.

10. Adjournment

2025 Regular Library Board Meeting Dates

Meeting Date	Meeting Location
November 20, 2025	Rotary Room, Main Branch
December 18, 2025	Year-End Celebrations
February 19, 2026	Rotary Room, Main Branch

Please advise the CLEO at sarah.vaisler@ajaxlibrary.ca if you are unable to attend this meeting.