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Branson/Hollister Library Subdistrict
Board of Trustees
Meeting Minutes
September 15, 2026 | 9:30 a.m.
LCO Tech Room

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1. **Call to Order**
    a. Anne E. McGregor called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.
    b. Present: Anne E. McGregor (President), Cody Fenton (Treasurer), Jeff Gerken (Secretary), Rachel Qualls (Member-at-Large), Nicholas Holladay (Executive Director).
    c. Absent: Kylynn Cheney.
    d. The board members and other attendees participated in the pledge of allegiance, invocation, and roll call.
    e. Anne E. McGregor moved to change the order of the agenda by moving the "Closed Session" to immediately before Adjournment.
        i. Jeff Gerken seconded.
        ii. **Ayes:** Anne E. McGregor, Cody Fenton, Jeff Gerken, Rachel Qualls.
        iii. **Nays:** None.
        iv. Motion carried.
2. **Welcome**
    a. No action was taken by the board.
3. **Approval of Minutes**
    a. Cody Fenton moved to approve the August 21, 2026, Regular Meeting Minutes.
        i. Jeff Gerken seconded.
        ii. **Ayes**: Anne E. McGregor, Cody Fenton, Jeff Gerken, Rachel Qualls.
        iii. **Nays**: None.
    b. Motion carried.
4. **Invited Guests**
    a. Angie Hughes, VP of Investment Services, provided an overview of the opportunities and benefits of investing money with MOCAAT.
        i. Jeff Gerken moved to authorize the use of MOCAAT as an investment choice by approving the attached Resolution and Instrument of adoption and directs the Executive Director to complete all necessary documentation.
            1. Rachel Qualls seconded.
            2. **Ayes:** Anne E. McGregor, Cody Fenton, Jeff Gerken, Rachel Qualls.
            3. **Nays**: None.

4. Motion carried.

b. Lia Hitz, Children's Services Supervisor, provided an update on the 2026 Summer Reading Challenge.

5. **Public Comments**
   a. No public comments.
6. **Old Business**
   a. Annual Goals/Vision Tracker
      i. Goals for 2027 were discussed.
      ii. Rachel Qualls moved to update the Annual Goals/Vision Tracker for 2027.
         1. Cody Fenton seconded.
         2. **Ayes**: Anne E. McGregor, Cody Fenton, Jeff Gerken, Rachel Qualls.
         3. **Nays:** None.
         4. Motion carried.
7. **New Business**
   a. Missouri Ethics Commission Ordinance
      i. Anne E. McGregor moved to adopt the Missouri Ethics Commission Ordinance Resolution.
      ii. Cody Fenton seconded.
         1. **Ayes**: Anne E. McGregor, Cody Fenton, Jeff Gerken, Rachel Qualls.
         2. **Nays:** None.
         3. Motion carried.
   b. 2027 Draft Budget
      i. Nicholas Holladay presented the 2027 Draft Budget.
      ii. No board action was taken.
   c. 2027 Dates (Board Meetings and Holiday Closings)
      i. Rachel Qualls moved to accept the 2027 Holiday Closings and Board Meeting dates and times and change the October 2026 Board of Trustees meeting to Monday, October 20 at 3:00 p.m.
         1. Jeff Gerken seconded.
         2. **Ayes:** Anne E. McGregor, Jeff Gerken, Rachel Qualls.
         3. **Nays:** None.
         4. Motion carried.
8. **Closed Session**
   a. Rachel Qualls moved to enter into closed session pursuant to RSMO 610.021 specifically for the performance rating and review of the Executive Director.
      i. Jeff Gerken seconded.
      ii. **Ayes**: Anne E. McGregor, Jeff Gerken, Rachel Qualls.
      iii. **Nays:** None.
      iv. Motion carried.

b. No action was taken by the Board.

9. **Adjournment**
    a. Jeff Gerken moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:55 a.m.
        i. Rachel Qualls seconded.
        ii. **Ayes:** Anne E. McGregor, Cody Fenton, Jeff Gerken, Rachel Qualls.
        iii. **Nays:** None.
        iv. Motion carried.

Approved:

Anne E. McGregor, Chair — Date: 10/19/2026

Approved:

Jeff Gerken, Secretary — Date: 10/19/2026