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**Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners Monthly Board Meeting**

**Thursday, October 9, 2025**

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**Nevins Memorial Library, Methuen**

**305 Broadway, Methuen**

**10:00 AM (Refreshments 9:30 AM)**

\*Pursuant to Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2025- An Act Extending Certain COVID-19 Measures Adopted During the State of Emergency, this meeting will be conducted in person and via remote means, in accordance with applicable law. This means that members of the public body as well as members of the public may access this meeting in person, or via virtual means. In person attendance will be at Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners Offices, Boston and it is possible that or all members of the public body may attend remotely, with in-person attendance consisting of members of the public. This meeting may be accessed remotely via:

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1. Call to order
2. Welcome

***Speaker:*** *Krista McLeod, Library Director*

1. Roll Call of Commissioners

***Speaker:*** *Commissioner Linehan, Secretary*

1. Approval of Minutes- September 4, 2025 Minutes

***Speaker:*** *Vicky Biancolo, Chair*

1. Chair’s Report

***Speaker:*** *Vicky Biancolo, Chair*

1. Commissioner Reports

***Speaker:*** *Vicky Biancolo, Chair*

1. Presentation to Lt. Sandy Picard and Oliver

***Speaker:*** *Commissioner Jessica Vilas Novas*

1. Director’s Report

***Speaker:*** *Maureen Amyot, Director*

1. Legislative Report

***Speaker:*** *Rob Favini, Government Liaison*

1. Consideration of approval of the FY2027 Legislative Agenda Totals **(ACTION)**

***Speakers:*** *Maureen Amyot, Director*

*Rob Favini, Government Liaison*

1. Consideration of approval of the policies for the FY2028 State Aid to Public Libraries Program **(ACTION)**

***Speakers:*** *Cate Merlin, Head of State Programs*

*Jen Inglis, State Aid Specialist*

1. Consideration of Network Grant Awards under account 7000-9506

a. FY2026 Small Libraries in Networks Recommendation **(ACTION)**

b. FY2026 Telecommunications for Resource Sharing Recommendation **(ACTION)**

c. FY2026 Network Infrastructure Recommendation **(ACTION)**

d. FY2026 Resource Sharing Program Recommendation **(ACTION)**

***Speaker:*** *Kate Butler,* Library Information Systems Specialist

1. Presentation of FY2026 MBLC Budget

***Speaker:*** *Tracey Dimant, Head of Operations and Budget*

1. Report from the Library for the Commonwealth (LFC)

***Speaker:*** *Sarah Jackson, Network Administrator*

*Library for the Commonwealth/ Boston Public Library*

1. Quarterly report from Massachusetts Center for the Book

***Speaker:*** *Courtney Andree, Executive Director*

*Massachusetts Center for the Book*

1. Unfinished Business and General Orders
2. Public Comment
3. Adjournment *Vicky Biancolo, Chair*

*To review the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners current bylaws*

*(Organizations and Functions of the Board of Library Commissioners)*

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