

**Ella Johnson Memorial Public Library  
109 S. State Street, Hampshire, IL 60140  
Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees  
March 9, 2026**

**Call to Order:** President Linda Wallace called the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:02 pm.

**Present:** Trustees Kim Alberth, Pat Dumoulin, Kathy Eller, Morgan Kolecke, Suzanne Lattanzio, Judy Pokorny and Linda Wallace.

**Absent:** None

**Staff Members:** Executive Director Stephen Bero

**Public:** None

**Pledge of Allegiance:** President Wallace led those gathered in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Changes/Corrections to the Agenda:** None

**Questions/Comments-Public/Media:** None

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business:**

- A.** Executive Session to consider the employment of a specific employee of the public [5ILCS 120/2. (c)(1)]

Motion by Trustee Lattanzio and second by Trustee Pokorny that the board enter executive session at 7:04 PM to consider the employment of a specific employee of the public body. The motion was approved by voice-vote consensus.

Board returned to its regular meeting at 7:22 PM

**Action as a result of the Executive Session:** Motion by Trustee Dumoulin and second by Trustee Lattanzio to advance candidates Lisa Johnson, Patrick McDonald, Emily Porter, and Natalie Starosta to the final stage of the director's search and invite them to interview with the board and staff in person in April. The motion was approved by voice-vote consensus.

**Discussion:** None

**Adjournment:** Trustee Dumoulin motioned for the meeting to be adjourned, seconded by Trustee Alberth. President Wallace adjourned the meeting at 7:25 p.m. Closing of the meeting was approved by voice-vote consensus.

A Special Board Meeting will be held at 6:00 PM on Monday, April 20, 2026  
The next Regular Board Meeting is at 5:00 pm on Monday, April 27, 2026.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Bero, Recording Secretary

Kim Alberth, Board Secretary