Missouri Valley Public Library Board of Trustees
Missouri Valley, Iowa
September 8, 2026

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. in the MVPL Board Room.

Board Members Present:

- Phyllis Henrich
- Keith Penner
- Jan Chvala
- Ashley Joons-West
- Bobby Vasquez

Others Present:

- Dawn Meadows, Library Director

2. Agenda Approval

- Jan made a motion to approve the agenda.
- Ashley seconded.
- Motion passed unanimously.

3. Minutes Approval: August 11, 2026

- Minutes stand as read

4. Public Comments (2-minute limit)

- No one appeared for public comment.

5. Old Business

- Discussed digitization project. Advantage Archives gave us a quote for $1,320 and free back up files if we provide the hard drive. This is including a 20% discount for the America 250 Campaign. The recent grant from Southwest Iowa Community Foundations for $2,805 will easily cover this cost. The board agreed to move forward with the digitization.
- The Library Director let the board know that a check for the amount of $32,766.27 has been issued from ICAP for the insurance claim.

6. Budget Review

- No budget concerns this month.

7. Librarian's Report

- The Library Director provided an update regarding library usage, program reports, and upcoming events, including the Harrison County Library Crawl, local author visits, and a Sherlock Holmes event.

8. New Business

- Discussed the recent roof leak that has occurred due to heavy rains. The roof has been patched and we will be submitting bids for repair to the City Council at their next meeting.
- Discussed the need for a new motor for our HVAC system. We are collecting bids for this replacement and will be submitting them to the City Council at their next meeting.
- Discussed the need to close the library on Saturday, September 12th due to staff availability. The board approved the closing.
- The Director's evaluation that was scheduled for this meeting is being tabled until the next meeting.

9. Board Comments

- Discussed ways we could help offset the cost of the roof repair by applying for a grant or using the insurance reimbursement money. The board was in agreement on both of these ideas.
- Discussed some other projects we might like to embark on, such as an outdoor or street sign, electrical access to the light poles outside of the library, getting a new drain pipe, and filling in holes around the library lawn.

10. Adjournment

- The next meeting is scheduled for October 13, 2026.