

The Public Library of New London Board of Trustees Meeting Notes
June 16, 2026

Present: Nick Fischer, Debbie Furgueson (Zoom), Daneen Roth, Madhu Gupta. Guest: Thomas Lescoe
Minutes of the April 12, 2026 Board of Trustees Meeting will be submitted at the August meeting.

Executive Director Madhu Gupta gave highlights of the past two months' Library activities, programs, and projects. She thanked Scott Garbini for his Library fundraiser request for his birthday. Executive Director Gupta also thanked Debbie Furgueson for helping to arrange a Summer Reading Program promotion at Winthrop School. Activities and programs in Children's, Youth, and Adult services were noted as detailed in the Director's Report.

Board Members present agreed to the need for power washing the front portico. Present Board Members also authorized closing of the Library for staff development on Friday, October 2, 2026, after a motion from Nick Fischer and a second from Debbie Furgueson.

Board members agreed to follow the CT law for paid sick leave.

Andrew Lopez's donation to the Library for replacement of the downstairs water fountain was acknowledged. New Board Room Chairs are being donated by The Community Foundation.

It was decided not to renew the current Post Office Box due to its limited use.

Executive Director Madhu Gupta proposed 3% raises for all staff except those who received off-cycle raises in January, 2026. It was proposed that three Library employees' hourly wages be raised to \$22/hr. Nick Fischer moved to accept that figure and Debbie Furgueson seconded the motion.

The Board entered Executive Session at 5:35 and came out of the session at 5:45, when the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Daneen Roth, Acting Secretary