



APPROVED SPECIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

December 11, 2024

5:00 pm

Carbondale Office: 1840 Innovation Drive, Carbondale, IL 62903, 618-985-3711

Champaign Office: 1704 West Interstate Drive, Champaign, IL 61822, 217-352-0047

Edwardsville Office: 6725 Goshen Road, Edwardsville, IL 62025, 618-656-3216

Effingham Public Library: Effingham Public Library: 200 N 3rd St, Effingham, IL 62401, 217-342-2464

C.E. Brehm Memorial Public Library: 101 South Seventh Street, Mount Vernon, IL 62864-4114, 618-242-6322

Illinois State Library: Gwendolyn Brooks Building, 300 South Second Street, Springfield, IL 62701-1796, 217-782-2994

Zoom

2.1	Approve Strategic Plan 2025 - 2027	Roll Call - Carried
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Call to Order

Karen Bounds called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Board Members Present:

Carbondale: Loretta Broomfield

Champaign: Emily Pickell

Edwardsville: Ryan Johnson, Linda McDonnell, Mike Treece, Kristy Walker

Effingham: Sarah Hill

C.E. Brehm: Karen Bounds, Mark Decker

ISL: Ann Chandler, Kristi Lear

Zoom: Kim Dykstra, Matt Greider

Board Members Absent:

Josh Short

Other Attendees and Guests:

Carbondale: Ellen Popit

Champaign: Mary Cornell

Edwardsville: Leslie Bednar

ISL: Greg McCormick

Zoom: Jennifer Baugh, Troy Brown, Stacie Bushong, Matt Caskey, Amanda Standerfer, Jill Trevino, Traci Wadsworth

Strategic Planning Presentation by Amanda Standerfer, Alliance for Library Impact ([Attachment 2.1](#))

Amanda Standerfer presented the draft Strategic Plan and explained the process with a PowerPoint presentation. It began with a survey of IHLS members and then the strategic direction and goals were

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created. A question was raised about how engagement with members will be measured. This is something that will be worked out as part of the plan details. Another question was posed asking if the board will be involved in the creation of activities to achieve the goals. Amanda confirmed that yes, the board will be part of the process. Another question asked if staff had concerns about restructuring or changing responsibilities. Amanda knows none at this time. Next steps include an activity plan, evaluation, framework, and reporting.

The vision was amended to state: Imagining Tomorrow, Delivering Today

The mission was amended to state: IHLS empowers all types of libraries through advocacy, shared resources, innovative technologies, and robust learning opportunities that engage and enhance our member communities.

Ann Chandler motioned and Mark Decker seconded to approve the Strategic Plan as amended. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Public Comment

None

Announcements

Karen Bounds thanked everyone for their work on the strategic plan. IHLS staff will now begin work on details and preparation for the FY2026 Operational Plan.

Adjournment

Adjourned at 5:42 p.m.