

OCSLD Meeting

April 9, 2024, at Fairmount Community Library and via Zoom

14 people in attendance

Amanda P. started the meeting off with a recap of the annual reports, and her goal of streamlining the process next year. Updates were made to the OCPL hours directory, construction grant info was given out, an email with the Strategic Planning Survey was sent. Amanda emphasized there is a patron survey as well. The Trustee Advisory Committee is holding a meet and greet at two member libraries. Lastly, the MOU numbers were sent out from Mark C. so that we may adequately budget for 2025.

Members then had a discussion regarding First Amendment Auditors. We talked about strengthening recording policies, not engaging, and helping patrons into a private, staff only area if they are being filmed.

In new business, we spoke about recycling eclipse glasses and American flags. Brenda S. told us about the All of Us Journey from the National Institute of Health that Fairmount is hosting the last week of May. We are looking forward to more information regarding this, but she invited us all to participate. Then we discussed tax caps and who exceeded theirs for their upcoming budget votes. Many member libraries did; this is mostly due to rising costs in health care, payroll, and other benefits. There were other discussions about room use and for-profit businesses, and we brainstormed with Mandy T. about how she could convince her board to nix the out of system fee (which was successful!).

During our sharing portion, there was a recap from those of us who attended PLA. We encourage others to attend in 2026!

Our next meeting is June 4th at 10 am. We are still looking for a host library!