



Illinois Heartland Library System

IHLS - Annual Meeting

October 28, 2025

IN-PERSON CARBONDALE OFFICE

1840 Innovation Drive, Carbondale, IL 62903

Phone: 618-985-3711

3:00 P.M. – 5:00 P.M.

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| 3:00 PM | 1. Automated Materials Handling System (AMHS) Ribbon Cutting and Demonstration |
| 3:30 PM | 2. Move to the Dunn-Richmond Economic Development Center |
| 3:40 PM | 3. Networking and Light Refreshments |
| 4:10 PM | 4. State of the System, Leslie Bednar |
| 4:20 PM | 5. William H. Walters, Dean of Library Affairs at SIU Carbondale |
| 4:30 PM | 6. Can't Shelf This! Podcast presented by Leah Gregory |
| 4:40 PM | 7. Data Dashboard presented by Stephanie Hunt, Leah Gregory and Kate Kite |
| 4:50 PM | 8. Marketing Micro Grants presented by Carol Hogan-Downey |

IHLS - Board of Directors Meeting

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IN-PERSON SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY CARBONDALE (SIUC)

DUNN-RICHMOND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CENTER

150 East Pleasant Hill Rd, Carbondale, IL 62901

5:00 P.M.

You may also attend the meeting via video conference at the following locations or via Zoom:

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

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

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

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

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

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<https://illinoisheartland.zoom.us/j/667226270?pwd=eTc0dWk1SlVSQWJ6cXBOM0xzdzlZz09>

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Attending via electronic means: Ann Chandler, Kim Dykstra, Laura Naugle, Michael Treece

5:00 PM	Action	1. Call to Order (Sarah Hill)
5:01 PM	Action	2. Roll Call (Stacie Bushong)
5:05 PM	Information	3. Chair's Welcome (Sarah Hill)
	Action	4. Approval of September 23, 2025 Meeting Minutes (Attachment 4.1) (Sarah Hill)
5:10 PM	Action	5. Staff Activity Update or Quarterly Staff Activity Report (Attachment 5.1) (Sarah Hill)
		6. Acceptance of September 2025 Bills (Attachment 6.1) (Sarah Hill)
5:30 PM	Action	7. 2025 Financial Report (Attachment 7.1) (Rhonda Johnisee)
	Information	8. Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Update (Kristi Lear)
	Information	9. Open Meetings Act (OMA) Update (Kim Dykstra)
5:35 PM	Information	10. Public Comment
	Information	11. Illinois State Library Report
	Information	12. Communication
		a. Association of Illinois School Library Educators (AISLE) Conference Update
		b. Illinois Library Association (ILA) Conference Update
		c. FY2024 Highlights Presentation
		d. Automatic Material Handling System (AMHS) Update
		e. ILA Legislative Meetups
		f. Write the Grant! Workshop
		13. Human Resources
5:45 PM	Action	a. Staff Report (Attachment 13.1)
5:50 PM	Action	b. Personnel -- (This portion of the meeting may be held in executive session pursuant to Section 5 ILCS 120 § 2(c)(1))
5:55 PM	Information	14. Committee Reports (Sarah Hill)
		a. Executive
		b. Budget and Finance
		c. Policy and Membership – did not meet
		d. Facilities and Operations
		e. Personnel
		f. Advocacy and Education – did not meet
	Information	15. Partner Reports
		a. Association of Illinois School Library Educators (AISLE) (Leah Gregory)
		b. Illinois Library Association (ILA) (Attachment 15.1)
		c. Illinois State Library Advisory Committee (ISLAC) (Leslie Bednar)
6:15 PM		16. Unfinished Business
	Action	a. FY2027 Nominating Committee (Attachment 16.1) (Sarah Hill)
	Information	b. Advocacy and Education Committee (Attachment 16.2) (Ryan Johnson)
		17. New Business
6:30 PM	Action	a. FY2026 General and iLEAD LTT Budget Amendments (Attachment 17.1) (Rhonda Johnisee)
	Information	b. FY2026 Staff Realignment (Leslie Bednar)

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- c. IHLS Benefit Plans (**Attachment 17.2**)
- d. Agenda Building

6:45 PM Information 18. Public Comment

7:00 PM Information 19. Announcements

- a. The next meeting is scheduled for November 25, 2025. Please be sure to check email regularly in case of date change or cancellation.

7:05 PM Action 20. Adjournment