NORTHLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY AUTHORITY
Governance Committee MEETING – Held in person and virtually, using Microsoft Teams
February 12, 2026 7pm

AGENDA

I. Call to Order:

II. Comments from the Public: (5 mins.)
PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY At this time, citizens may address the Authority Board on agenda items. Only residents and taxpayers of the Northland's five supporting municipalities will be permitted to address the Authority Board. Comments on non-agenda items will be taken at the end of tonight's meeting. Speakers will be permitted to speak for a maximum of 5 minutes. Groups will be required to designate a spokesperson to represent them before the Board. The designated spokesperson may speak for a maximum of 10 minutes. Speakers are asked to clearly state their name and address for the record and keep comments brief and to the point. Please spell your name for the record. Speakers are reminded that the Authority Board uses these comment periods as opportunities to gather information and not to respond directly to concerns raised. Information gathered will not be discussed at the current meeting, but instead will be referred by the President to the Executive Director, Department Manager, and/or a Committee for review and to prepare an appropriate response which will be communicated to the entire Authority Board.

III. New Business:
- A. Review remaining priorities identified by 2024 Board Survey
- B. 2026 Committee Priorities
  1. Possible priorities
     - a. Conduct 2026 Board Survey
     - b. Review Articles of Incorporation
     - c. Develop standard review process/form for Executive Director
       1) Discuss need; what/who is involved; should process be led by Governance or Personnel Committee; outside legal assistance needed?
     - d. Develop Board Advocacy Tool Kit
     - e. Committee involvement in Strategic Plan
- C. Completion of State Ethics Statement of Financial Interests by all Board members: Consider sending Committee f/up reminders to members to complete form in a timely manner.

IV. Unfinished Business:

A. New Board member orientation revision: Are all developed documents on SharePoint/Board Portal?

B. Continue May, 2025 meeting discussion re: New Board member recruitment strategies

C. Approval of Nov. 13, 2025 meeting summary

V. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS ONLY At this time, citizens may address the Authority Board on non-agenda items. Only residents and taxpayers of the Northland's five supporting municipalities will be permitted to address the Authority Board. Comments on non-agenda items will be taken at the end of tonight's meeting. Speakers will be permitted to speak for a maximum of 5 minutes. Groups will be required to designate a spokesperson to represent them before the Board. The designated spokesperson may speak for a maximum of 10 minutes. Speakers are asked to clearly state their name and address for the record and keep comments brief and to the point. Please spell your name for the record. Speakers are reminded that the Authority Board uses these comment periods as opportunities to gather information and not to respond directly to concerns raised. Information gathered will not be discussed at the current meeting, but instead will be referred by the President to the Executive Director, Department Manager, and/or a Committee for review and to prepare an appropriate response which will be communicated to the entire Authority Board.

VI. Adjournment: