Lillie M. Evans Library District
Joint Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lillie M. Evans Library District, the Village of Princeville and Princeville CUSD 326
July 16, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

1.) Welcome – Tony Shinall, Superintendent of Schools
2.) Introduction of the Board of Education – no quorum. Darwin Stahl, Jeremy Duckworth, Grant DeBord, Tony Shinall in attendance.
    a. Year 1 of the Strategic Plan is completed
    b. A parent-student-teacher Advisory Committee has been formed.
    c. In accordance with Alyssa's Law, which is a requirement in the 2027-28 school year, a School Safety Crisis app is now available.
    d. On July 21, 23, 28 and 29, the Peoria County Sheriff's Office will be conducting officer training at the Junior/Senior High School It will help familiarize officers with Princeville's facilities as well as provide general crisis training.
    e. Pillar 3 of the Academic Standard has a new evaluation system. Internal testing indicates that all grade levels will be compliant.
    f. Princeville CUSD 326 has received the highest financial rating for schools.
    g. A program through the Regional Office of Education to help kids who need assistance is continuing to partially fund one local employee for the High School. They hope to expand to the Grade School.
    h. The IT Department was recognized by the State School Board as "those who excel."
    i. All teacher positions are filled for the 2026-27 school year. They still need a bus driver, a paraprofessional, and a custodian.
    j. Tony Shinall has received his Doctorate in Education.
3.) Introduction of the Village Board – No quorum. Jeff Troutman, Rick Pope and Sarah Cordis in attendance.
    a. The major sewer project is finished 2/3. The Ostrom Station is working, and the lagoon is in progress. It is much bigger than the previous lagoon.
    b. Pumpkin processing is scheduled to begin July 27, 2026.
    c. The sidewalks are in place for the road work on rte. 90/91. Spray patching is next.
    d. A new house will be built in Aten Acres, starting in August 2026.
    e. The enterprise area has been updated.
    f. The restrooms at Cutters Grove have been vandalized. The security cameras are being updated, and automatic door locks are being installed.
    g. The new community officer is Deputy Greer.

h. Greenfield Company will start construction on their site north of Dollar General in late fall.
i. The boardroom at the Village Hall has been totally remodeled.
j. There will not be any tar and chipping on village roads this year. It will probably be needed next year.

4.) Introduction of the Fire Board – No quorum, Jeff Troutman in attendance.
a. There have been 202 fire calls so far this year, including many mutual aid calls.
b. The fire department is working on the siren. It is important to be able to notify the public that emergency vehicles will be on the road.
c. There are currently 28 members on the roster. They are looking for new members.

5.) Introduction of the Library Board – The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. Diane Smith, Rachel Wilson, Randy Ingle, Beth Duttlinger and Gayle Johnson-Brackett were in attendance, along with guest Tom Staggs.
a. Farm Days will be held at the Princeville Heritage Museum on July 24. Story Time will be there at 4:00 p.m.
b. The Library is sponsoring Tom Emery presenting "Illinois in the Revolutionary War" at 6:30 p.m. at the Princeville Heritage Museum on August 4th.
c. The peony project is continuing. Help with weeding is needed.
d. Produce from the Library garden is in the refrigerator located inside the Library.
e. The annual book sale will be held Aug. 3-29 during regular business hours in the large meeting room at the Library.
f. In conjunction with Let's Ride, Illinois, the Library is sponsoring a ride on the Rock Island Trail on September 12.
g. Community Shred Day is from 9:00 – 12:00 on September 26 in Cutter's Grove.
h. The 13th annual Fiber Arts Show will be held in November.
i. The Long Range Plan is finished after input from staff, board, focus groups and PHS students. A new Mission Statement was developed. The Library would like to partner with the school for a Project Next Generation Grant in Science and Math.
j. TIFF II expires in 2027, taxes payable in 2028.

6.) Princeville Civic Association – Beth Duttlinger attended as representative.
a. The PCA appreciated all the work done by the Village staff to help with Heritage Days, especially Steve Janssen's work in removing a large tree limb that fell.

b. The weather cooperated for Heritage Days.
c. PCA meets on the second Tuesday of the month and is always looking for volunteers.
d. They are currently looking for a theme for next year.
e. PCA is investigating the possibility of a beer tent at Heritage Days 2027.
f. The next PCA event is hot dogs at the Library for Halloween

7.) Troutman Park update
a. Lunch and a Bags Tournament will be held at the park on Aug. 15.
b. They are exploring the possibility of a Santa Breakfast at the firehouse.
c. There have been lots of rentals.

8.) Randy Ingle made a motion, seconded by Rachel Wilson to adjourn the meeting of the Library Board at 7:46 p.m. All ayes, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Gayle Johnson-Brackett, secretary pro tem

Next joint board meeting:

Joint Board meeting January 21, 2027, at 7:00 p.m. at the Village Hall.