Edgebrook Community Association
Board of Directors Meeting
Minutes
Date: April 13, 2026

Edgebrook Public Library

Meeting called to order at 6:35 pm
Minutes approved for March 2026

In Attendance

Mary Biesty,Michelle Brugioni, Dan Hamilton, Jenny Herren Gatesman, Kathy Kaminski, Jan Kupiec, Andrea Macino, Julie Marske, Kirstin Mansfield, Jeff Manuel, Mike Marren, Caryn Meyer, Tom Misiewicz, Bev Padratzik, and Nancy Williams

Officer's Reports

President Jenny opened with a discussion about clarifying our policy on what the ECA should post on our social media accounts. After a discussion, a motion was made to have Dan draft a proposed policy that would focus on limiting our social media to ECA events but include issues of neighborhood safety and zoning issues. The written proposal will be sent out with the June agenda and voted upon at that meeting.

Vice President Nancy thanked everyone that helped with the Easter Egg Hunt. The pivot from Jeff Green Park to the Edgebrook Elementary School was successful due to the quick response by the various board members. Jeff M. will provide Camille Unger Edgebrook Principal with flowers.

Treasurer Jeff Singer was not present but provided an update via text.

Secretary Mary presented a proposed idea from Ellie to produce a summer activities flyer. Several concerns were raised about the necessity of such a flyer and ability to update the information. She also sent around a signup for the Garden Walk.

Committee Reports

Membership. Nancy and Caryn reported a current membership of about 200 members. We obtained 20 new members at the Easter Egg Hunt. Mary will reach out to Jean about scheduling the next Mix and Mingle.

Community Development Mary and Nancy suggested several programs for the library with the $750 yearly funding. They have scheduled Leslie Goddard for a Route 66 presentation and another speaker about Trailblazers in Chicago History. They have also scheduled a bird walk in late June. Details coming soon!

Programs. Board members were encouraged to attend if interested in the 4/14 Early Learning Center Open House.

Newsletter. Dan will be sending out the next newsletter in April

Beautification. Carin is working with Notre Dame High School to obtain volunteers for the Clean and Green. Board members are encouraged to attend and help supervise the student volunteers.

Special Events. Jeff M and Michelle provided an update on the Fourth of July Parade and picnic. After a vote by the board members in attendance, this year's theme is "250 Years of Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness Together" The Parade Grand Marshal will be Brian Nadig. The scouts will provide the tents for the attendees. Tom M. has graciously donated free food tickets for members attending the Fourth of July picnic. Details will be hammered out soon.

Police and Fire. Tom reported no significant activity.

Schools Kirstin and Kathy will create the poster contest entry forms to send to the schools. Kirsten reported that the donation made to Edgebrook school went toward a breadmaker for the Early Learning Center.

New Business.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:43 pm

Next Meeting: Monday, May 11 at 6:30 pm at the Matt's storefront at 6446 North Central Ave.

Dates for Board of Directors Meetings

2026

All meetings are on Monday at 6:30 pm at the Edgebrook Library or Matt's storefront

May 11
June 8
September 14
October 12
November 9
December 14

Special Events

Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 4 (Saturday before Easter)
4th of July Parade and Picnic Saturday, July 4th
Witches Ride Saturday, October 24th
Halloween Spookiest House judging TBD
Holiday Tree Lighting Saturday, November 28th

Garden Walk Date Saturday, June 13th

Triangle Clean Up

Citywide Clean and Green Date Saturday, April 18th

General Meetings

November TBD

Meet and Mingle

Two dates TBD