

**Ohio Library Council
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

ITEM NO.: **5.E.2**

MEETING DATE: **July 17, 2026**

SUBJECT: **Professional Development
Report**

SUBMITTED BY: **Laurie Miller**

REPORT FOR INFORMATION

2026 OLC Convention and Expo – Search. Create. Inspire.- October 21-23, 2026.

- We currently have 30 Exhibitors and 10 Sponsors. Last year at this time we had 38 Exhibitors and 13 Sponsors.
- Online registration opened on July 8 and is available until October 7.
- All the information is linked on the C&E Event Page:
Registration Fees, Hotel Accommodations, Exhibitor Information, Sponsorship Opportunities, Keynotes, Daily Schedules, Convention Leadership & Committee members.

Meetings Participation

- Technical Services Division Meeting – May 26
- C&E Local Arrangements Committee Meeting – May 26
- Digital and Media Services Division Meeting – June 10
- Lunch Meeting with Experience Columbus – June 17
- Professional Development Committee Meeting – June 17
- Kalahari Site Visit with Mantey, Buch & LA/Expo Committee Members – June 30
- Outreach & Special Services Division Meeting – July 1
- Adult & Reference Services Division Meeting – July 6

2026 Events	Date	Location	Attendance
Special Virtual Meeting for Directors & FOs	Jan. 28	Virtual	284
Membership Meet-up	Feb. 9	Virtual	42
Teen Services Talk	Feb. 10	Virtual	31
Outreach Coffee Chat	Feb. 27	Virtual	30
Preparing for Legislative Day Webinar	Mar. 3	Virtual	183
IT Division “Rack’side Chat”	Mar. 6	Virtual	24
Library Trustee Workshop	Mar. 7	OLC/Virtual	59
Library Legislative Day	Mar. 18	Renaissance Columbus	191
CPIM – Public Library Fiscal Officer Conf.	Mar. 26-27	Embassy Suites Dublin	132
Membership Meet-up	Apr. 6	Virtual	24
Library Trustees Lunch (SW)	Apr. 9	MidPointe Library, West Chester	26
Amazon Business for Libraries	Apr. 13	Virtual	149
Special Virtual Meeting for Directors & FOs	Apr. 16	Virtual	246

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Library Trustees Dinner (NW)	Apr. 16	Stone Ridge Golf Club, Bowling Green	43
Library Trustees Dinner (East)	Apr. 30	Guernsey County Library, Cambridge	19
Library Trustees Dinner (NE)	May 7	Embassy Suites Independence	91
Virtual Mentorship Series #1	May 13	Virtual	27
Teen Services Talk	May 14	Virtual	17
Equalis Group Webinar: Joint Purchasing	May 18	Virtual	53
New Directors Workshop Series 1 of 4	May 19	OLC/Virtual	19
IT Division "Rack'side Chat"	Jun. 5	Virtual	15
Outreach Coffee Chat	Jun. 12	Virtual	16
HR Hybrid Workshop 101	Jun. 16	OLC/Virtual	91
New Directors Workshop Series 2 of 4	Jun. 23	OLC/Virtual	17
Ballot Issues Workshop #1	Jul. 9	Virtual	29
Statehouse Update Webinar	Jul. 14	Virtual	160
Virtual Mentorship Series #2	Jul. 15	Virtual	25
New Directors Workshop Series 3 of 4	Jul. 22	OLC/Virtual	7
Tech Services Summer Webinar	Jul. 28	Virtual	42
Voter Registration Responsibilities Webinar	Jul. 30	Virtual	141
HR Hybrid Workshop 201	Aug. 4	OLC/Virtual	7
Teen Services Talk	Aug. 12	Virtual	11
Marketing Meet-Up	Aug. 12	Virtual	26
Outreach and Special Services Retreat	Aug. 14	Virtual	0
Library Fiscal Officer 102	Aug. 21	OLC/Virtual	5
New Directors Workshop Series 4 of 4	Aug. 26	OLC/Virtual	0
IT Division "Rack'side Chat"	Sept. 4	Virtual	2
Safety & Security Conference	Sept. 11	OCLC Conference Center	Not Open
Virtual Mentorship Series #3	Sept. 16	Virtual	14
Outreach Coffee Chat	Sept. 25	Virtual	4
2026 Convention & Expo	Oct. 21-23	Kalahari, Sandusky	29
Virtual Mentorship Series #4	Nov. 11	Virtual	7
Teen Services Talk	Nov. 16	Virtual	5
Planning & Leadership Conference	Dec. 3	Virtual	Not Open
Ballot Issues Workshop #2	Dec. TBD	OLC/Virtual	Not Open
IT Division "Rack'side Chat"	Dec. 4	Virtual	0

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