

**Ohio Library Council
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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

MEETING DATE: **May 15, 2026**

SUBJECT: **Professional Development
Report**

SUBMITTED BY: **Laurie Miller**

REPORT FOR INFORMATION

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

- C&E Program Committee met in person at the OLC office to discuss program selection on April 14. Approval emails are being sent through app, and the deadline to accept is today.
- Currently working on program grid to solidify dates and times of breakout sessions.
- Still researching General Session speakers for Wednesday and Friday.
- 12 total Poster Sessions are selected at this time.
- Exhibitor and Sponsor registration have been set up in GrowthZone for 2026. Attendee registration is set up and scheduled to open in early July.
- Currently there are 13 Exhibitors.
- Sent agreement to Bookstore vendor, waiting on their final approval.
- Working with Shonna from Maritz on 2028 site options.

Meetings Participation

- C&E Expo Committee Meeting – March 17
- C&E Local Arrangements Committee Meeting – March 26
- GrowthZone LMS Project Meeting – April 13
- C&E Program Committee Meeting @ OLC – April 14
- HR Division Meeting – April 15
- Special Virtual Meeting for Library Directors & Fiscal Officers – April 16
- Maritz call with Shonna – April 16
- C&E Local Arrangements Committee Meeting – April 20
- OLC Strategic Planning Meeting – April 21 & 22
- GrowthZone LMS Project Meeting – April 23
- C&E General Session speaker calls – April 30
- C&E LA/Expo Committee Meeting – April 12

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

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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
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	26
Teen Services Talk	May 14	Virtual	17
Equalis Group Webinar: Joint Purchasing	May 18	Virtual	34
New Directors Workshop Series 1 of 4	May 19	OLC/Virtual	12
IT Division “Rack’side Chat”	Jun. 5	Virtual	1
Outreach Coffee Chat	Jun. 12	Virtual	7
HR Hybrid Workshop 101	Jun. 16	OLC/Virtual	Not Open
New Directors Workshop Series 2 of 4	Jun. 23	OLC/Virtual	Not Open
Ballot Issues Workshop #1	Jul. 9	OLC/Virtual	0
Virtual Mentorship Series #2	Jul. 15	Virtual	5
New Directors Workshop Series 3 of 4	Jul. 22	OLC/Virtual	Not Open
HR Hybrid Workshop 102	Aug. 4	OLC/Virtual	Not Open
Teen Services Talk	Aug. 12	Virtual	5
Marketing Meet-Up	Aug. 12	Virtual	8
Outreach and Special Services Retreat	Aug. 14	OLC/Virtual	Not Open
Library Fiscal Officer 102	Aug. 21	OLC/Virtual	Not Open
New Directors Workshop Series 4 of 4	Aug. 26	OLC/Virtual	Not Open
IT Division “Rack’side Chat”	Sept. 4	Virtual	0
Safety & Security Conference	Sept. 11	OCLC Conference Center	Not Open
Virtual Mentorship Series #3	Sept. 16	Virtual	4
Outreach Coffee Chat	Sept. 25	Virtual	3
2026 Convention & Expo	Oct. 21-23	Kalahari, Sandusky	Not Open
Ballot Issues Workshop #2	Nov. TBD	OLC/Virtual	Not Open
Virtual Mentorship Series #4	Nov. 11	Virtual	4
Teen Services Talk	Nov. 16	Virtual	5
Planning & Leadership Conference	Nov. TBD	Virtual	Not Open

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