

MHLS Board of Trustees | 2026 Roster

Name	County	Year Term Expires (12/31)	Term(s) as MHLS Trustee	Reelection Eligibility	Current Office Held (1/1)	Former Office Held
Stuart Auchincloss	Ulster	2028	Appt. 2015 El. 2017-18 El. 2019-23 El. 2024-28	Not eligible	President	Secretary, 2021, 2022, 2023; Treasurer 2024, 2025
Peter Carey	Putnam	2028	Appt. 2022 El. 2024-28	One more 5-year term		
Kevin Finnegan	Putnam	2027	El. 2024-27 (to fill out vacant term)	Two more 5-year terms	Treasurer	
Leslie Gerber	Ulster	2027	El. 2024-27 (to fill out vacant term)	Two more 5-year terms		
Kenneth Goldberg	Ulster	2026	El. 2017-21 El. 2022-26	Not eligible		EC Member-at-Large
Charles Kutcher	Greene	2029	El. 2025-29	One more five year term		
David Lavallee	Dutchess	2030	El. 2026-2030	One more five year term		
Jill Leinung	Columbia	2030	El. 2021-25 El. 2026-2030	Not eligible	Secretary	EC Member-at-Large 2023; Secretary 2024, 2025
Jenny Post	Columbia	2029	El. 2025-2029	One more 5-year term		
Janet Schnitzer	Columbia	2028	El. 2019-23 El. 2024-28	Not Eligible		
Thomas Silvius	Greene	2026	El. 2023-26 (to fill out vacant term)	Two more 5-year terms		
Barbara Swanson	Greene	2030	El. 2024-2025 (to fill out vacant term) El. 2026-2030	One more 5-year terms	Vice President	
Carla Taylor	Putnam	2026	El. 2022-26	One more 5-year term	EC Member-at-Large	
Mark Williams	Dutchess	2029	El. 2025-29	One more 5-year term		

Term Expirations

By Year	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
	Goldberg Silvious Taylor	Finnegan Gerber VACANT	Auchincloss Carey Schnitzer	Williams Post Kutcher	Lavallee Leinung Swanson
By County	Columbia	Dutchess	Greene	Putnam	Ulster
	Leinung '30 Post '29 Schnitzer '28	VACANT '27 Lavallee '30 Williams '29	Kutcher '29 Silvious '26 Swanson '25	Carey '28 Finnegan '27 Taylor '26	Auchincloss '28 Gerber '27 Goldberg '26

Liaisons to the MHLS Board from the MHLS Directors Association (2026):

January: Catherine Benson, Coxsackie

March: Michele Capozzella, Mahopac

May: Matt Pavloff, Kinderhook

July: Darren Lanspery, Plattekill

September: Margie Menard, Kingston

December: Christopher Leary, Catskill

BYLAWS OF THE MID-HUDSON LIBRARY SYSTEM | ARTICLE IV: BOARD OF TRUSTEES | Sec. 4. Term of Office

Terms shall be staggered so that three shall expire on the 31st day of December each year. A term of office of a trustee shall be five years. A trustee may not serve more than two consecutive full five-year terms, except where previously appointed or elected to fill an unexpired term. Following such service, a trustee may again be appointed or elected after an interim of one year.