

**Friends of the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Jan. 20, 2026 • 5:30 p.m.  
Forest Preserve District of DuPage County Headquarters, Board Room**

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The Friends of the Forest Preserve District of DuPage County board of directors will conduct its meeting in person at the Danada headquarters building, located at 35580 Naperville Road in Wheaton.

Public comments are welcome. Speaker(s) must submit public comment in person or provide the written comment to be made part of the public record by the end of business the day prior to the meeting by completing the on-line form found on the District's website [www.dupageforest.org/our-board/board-meetings](http://www.dupageforest.org/our-board/board-meetings). For more information or you plan to attend, please call 630-871-6400.

**Call to Order and Welcome** — Jeanette Wells, Chair

**Roll Call and Meeting Minutes Approval** — Joe Sucheki, Secretary

Motion for Approving and Placing on file Board Meeting Minutes for Board Meeting held Nov. 18, 2025

**Public Comment**

**Mission Moment**

Jessica Ortega, Manager of Strategic Initiatives, Forst Preserve District of DuPage County, presenting an update on the District's Strategic Planning

**Reports**

***Treasurer's Report*** — Tom Murphy, Treasurer

Action — Motion to Accept Financial Dashboard Summary through Dec. 31, 2025

Action — Motion to Approve 2026 Friends' Budget

Action — Motion to Approve Engagement Letter for 990 and Audit Services

Inform — Investment Activities

***Ex-Officios*** — Jeff Gahris, District Commissioner and Jeannine Kannegiesser, Friends Executive Director

**Old Business** — Jeanette Wells, Chair

Action — Motion to Approve Financial Policies and Procedures

**New Business** — Jeanette Wells, Chair

Friends board engagement opportunities in 2026

Action — Motion to nominate Mike Dyer, Ashley Guest, Joe Sucheki, and Dave Stang for an additional three-year term on the Friends board.

**Adjournment** — Jeanette Wells, Chair

**Next Board of Directors Meeting** — March 18, 2026 at 5:30 p.m. at District HQ