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Grayslake, IL July 11, 2022 – The Grayslake Area Public Library and its board of trustees are pleased to announce that Timothy Longo is the library district’s new executive director. Longo’s first day on the job was Wednesday, July 6, 2022.

The library board contracted with John Keister & Associates of Vernon Hills, IL, for the nationwide executive director search. Longo was one of five candidates interviewed by the board from a field of several applicants.

“On behalf of the Grayslake Area Public Library and its board of trustees, I would like to extend a warm welcome to Tim Longo, our library district’s new executive director,” said President of the Board of Trustees, Scott Landy, “We are confident Tim will be a fantastic addition to lead our amazing library team and look forward to working with him as we continue to evolve the Grayslake Library in the post-pandemic environment.”

Longo has over ten years of library leadership, financial management, and strategic planning experience in public libraries. Most recently, as the head of access services for the Evanston Public Library and preceding that as assistant director of technical services at the Lisle Library District. Notable accomplishments in his previous positions include: helping open a new library branch in Evanston, implementing the second largest library wifi hotspot lending program in Illinois, and updating library automation services across a multi-branch library system.

Longo holds a bachelor’s degree from the University of Illinois at Chicago and a Master’s in Library and Information Science from the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign.

“I believe that libraries are vibrant community centers that foster lifelong learning, spark curiosity, and bring people together,” Longo said. “I’m honored to be joining an institution that prides itself on providing the kind of welcoming space, diverse programs, excellent collections, and up-to-date technology that help make the Grayslake Area such a vibrant community and great place to live.”

Details on a future public event welcoming Executive Director Longo will be announced on our website, www.grayslake.info, on Facebook [@GrayslakeLibrary](https://www.facebook.com/GrayslakeLibrary), and on Instagram [@grayslakelibrary](https://www.instagram.com/grayslakelibrary).

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