

Mount Carroll District Library Board Meeting Minutes

November 12, 2025

Call to Order: 6:00 PM by M. Foltz

Attendees: Board of Trustees: Marsha Foltz, Tom Sorg, Virginia De Swarte, Sibyl Doty, and Pat Foltz

Library Director: Izzy Foltz

Guests: none

Voice Roll Call: M. Foltz- present, Sorg- present, De Swarte- present, Wilkinson- present, Wheeler- present, Doty- present, P. Foltz- present

Agenda Approval: De Swarte/Doty

Public Comment: none

Friends of the Library Report:

The Friends has 20 people at their last coffee event. The next event will be held on November 18th. The Farmers' Market and book sale are done for the year. The window treatments for the meeting room are still being investigated. The annual raffle is ongoing and will end on December 6th. The Friends will also have their officer elections in December. The Friends are working in conjunction with Izzy to donate books in memory of Abraham Rosenberg. The next Friends meeting is on December 9th.

Secretary Report Approval: Wilkinson/De Swarte

Financial Report Approval: P. Foltz/Wheeler

Payment of Bills: De Swarte/Wheeler

Librarian's Report:

Statistics were all up for the month, with the exception of nonfiction check-outs. We reviewed the programs for the month and highlighted a few notable events. The escape room for kids is a new activity as is "Bad Art Night." The Highland programs are still ongoing. Village Stories is another new program, and the first night will focus on the stories of military veterans.

Committee Reports:

Building and landscape maintenance:

Herrell Electric installed new lights outside the lower entrance. They are on an automatic timer that will run from 5:00-10:30 PM. Three more ramp lights are going to be added.

Finance: No report, but the committee plans complete an in depth review of the budget after December to evaluate our spending.

Old Business:

Char Behrens' event planning: We continue to wait on the completion of signage for this project, but the dedication event is planned for December 6th at 10:00.

New Business:

The library's sign for the historic walking tour is in a pile behind the building, where it was left during construction. Tom will clean it up and reinstall it.

There was a quote from Elite Tint for the windows, but the Friends will be exploring other options.

The Friends will install seasonal decorations for the holidays.

Meeting adjourned at 6:23 PM De Swarte/Wilkinson

Respectfully submitted by Pat Foltz