

District Library Board Meeting Minutes

March 2, 2026

Members Present- Lauren Marion, Sue Petitpren, Emily McPhail, Debbie Rickman, Kelly Zielinski and Jennifer Kile

Absent- Whitney Peters

Guests- Ruth Kulman, Shirley Wood, Toni Loutzenhiser and Jeff Anderson

Meeting called to order at 6:00pm with the pledge.

Michigan Class – Jeff Anderson:

Jeff, Senior Director of Investment Services, visited to explain the Michigan Class account we will be establishing. He provided an overview of how the account works and allowed time for questions and discussion.

Where are the investments made in MI? Michigan local govt spread amongst us treasuries, us agencies.

Does interest ever go above 3.98? It can change daily depending on the Fed raising interest rates.

We talked about putting \$2,000 in a month, but it sounds like it's easy to transfer money if we need to, so maybe we can put more in instead of so much sitting in our checking account and we can always transfer money when we need to.

It's easy to link to your bank account and is super flexible.

We called our sub account the General Savings account. This can easily be changed on the website.

Motion by Kelly to move \$25,000 from Tri-County Bank in the MI Class Account, Seconded by Jennifer. All in favor, motion carried to move \$25,000 to our MI Class Account.

Roll call; Kelly: Yes, Jennifer: Yes, Lauren: Yes, Emily: Yes, Sue: Yes, Debbie: Yes. Whitney: Absent.

Approval of minutes- Debbie made a motion to approve the February 2, 2026 minutes with the change of Emily Mcphail being moved to absent. Seconded by Kelly. All in favor, motion for February 2, 2026 minutes passed with the change of moving Emily McPhail's name to absent.

Pay the Bills- Sue motioned to pay the March bills, seconded by Lauren. All in favor, motion carried to pay the March bills passed.

Treasurer's Report-

- In January we had a balance of \$106,798.81. In February we had an ending balance of \$117,035.27.

Librarian Report-

- Friends: Blind Date with a Book was set up at the Oui Cafe for the month of February. All 13 books and puzzles were sold in the first 4 days!
 - March 7th @ 9am is their next meeting
 - They filed their first 990 tax form in
- Robert Frost Tuscola ISD reached out and said for \$51.61 for the next 16 months. We can have top notch protection on our server through the ISD. Falcon CrowdStrike Complete Managed Detection and Response.

Sue made a motion to move forward with paying \$51.61 for the next 16 months. Emily Seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

- Wednesday's 4-H group keeps growing!
- The toddler group is going great!
- Knitting Club: On average we have about 6 patrons, the weather has played a part to a smaller group. The raffle that they made blankets for has made about \$150.00.
- February 4th and 5th grades made it to the library to check out books and play bingo!
- Dungeons and Dragons Club: Brandon Cowper has made a call out for a Dungeon and Dragon Club for Fridays at 3:30 gathering patrons hope to begin in March.
- Chess Club: Ben Ruby has made a call out for a chess club to begin on Saturdays beginning in March.
- Summer Reading kickoff sign-up open house on June 16th.
- Events:
 - March 16th Anthony Williams Morel Mushroom
 - March 19th Irish Music Ourselves

- March 23rd Muxlow Exotics

- Upcoming float for BC Days or entry to parade, summer reading (a small bag with goodies to pass out for sign up)
- Debbie made a motion to approve the bookshelf budget of \$2,400.00 by seeing the sketches beforehand. Lauren seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

- **Wish List:**
- Sign for Mural
- Swank Movie License
- Podium

Public Comments and Questions: NA

Next meeting is Monday, April 7th at 6:00pm

Kelly made a motion to adjourn at 7:28pm and Jennifer seconded. All in favor, motion passed to adjourn.

Respectively submitted by Lauren Marion