

District Library Board Meeting Minutes

February 2, 2026

Members Present- Lauren Marion, Sue Petitpren, Whitney Peters, Debbie Rickman and Jennifer Kile

Absent- Kelly Zielinski and Emily McPhail

Guests- Ruth Kulman, Shirley Wood and Toni Loutzenhiser

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

Approval of minutes- Debbie made a motion to approve the January 5, 2026 minutes. Seconded by Lauren. All in favor, motion for January 5, 2026 minutes passed.

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

Treasurer's Report-

- In December we had a balance of \$88,087.87. In January we had an ending balance of \$106,798.81.
- Ruth passed out the resolution to Approve the Addition of Michigan Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System as an Approved Investment option.
 - Lauren made a motion to approve the Michigan Class Investment Pool, seconded by Sue. All in favor, motion carried to approve the addition of Michigan Cooperative Liquid Assets Securities System as an approved investment option.

Librarian Report-

- MI Class – Last month we approved the Library's policy for investing. We also need to approve and have a resolution for investing in MI-Class. Next board meeting Jeff Anderson has agreed to come at 6:00 and talk about our investment and fill out the rest of the paper work.
- Friends: sent a federal application for a 501 3c and has been approved. The Friends group is meeting Feb 7th at 9:00am. If your free, please come in support of this group. We will be wrapping Blind Date with a Book for the Oui Cafe for the month of February.
- Front Sign: Lauren is going to reach out to Charlisa to get a quote.

- Alex Bartle finished the lights in the first room of the basement on January 31, 2026.
- Mark & Dalton worked on the internet for the basement for the cost of materials only. They only need to put up a ceiling and finish when the dry wall or paneling is up.
- Bobs Heating has changed filters and replaced one of the thermostats that wasn't programming to set temperatures.
- Great Lake Carpet came January 29th and steam cleaned all the chairs for \$7.00 a chair (35).
- Wednesday's 4-h group started meeting on Wednesday mornings: activities include archery, a trip to a Honey bee farm, Penny Walk, etc..
- Toddler Program: Despite the bad weather we have had a great turnout through January.
- Dungeon Dragon 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 Saturday's beginning in March.
- E&J Construction gave us a quote on finishing the basement. Ruth will be getting 2 more quotes for us to compare it to.

- Events:
 - February 5th Joe Dehenau
 - February 7th friends meeting - 9:00
 - February 16th A. Kercher Forgotten Presidents
 - February 19th Carly Dentist Hygienist

- Summer events with Goodland Township Library:
 - August 3rd Joel Tracey Magic Show
 - July 21st Backyard Olympics

- Upcoming float for BC Days or entry to parade, summer reading (a small bag with goodies to pass out for sign up)

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

Public Comments and Questions: NA

Next meeting is Monday, March 2nd at 6:00pm

Lauren made a motion to adjourn at 6:48pm and Whitney seconded. All in favor, motion passed to adjourn.

Respectively submitted by Lauren Marion