



Ecorse Public Library

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Ecorse Public Library Board of Trustees Regular Meeting

Monday, September 8, 2025 @ 6:00pm

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1. Call to order: 6:00p.m.
2. Roll call: Alexander_X___ Brooks__X__ Holmes-Hill_X___ Morgan __X___ Reddick __X__ S. Shipman for EPL
3. Approval of agenda:
 - a. Motion: Holmes-Hill/Support: Alexander
 - b. Yes: Alexander, Brooks, Holmes-Hill, Morgan, Reddick
 - c. No: None
4. Approval of minutes July 7, 2025 and August 5, 2025. Table approval of minutes due to information not presented.
 - a. Motion: Holmes-Hill/Support: Alexander
 - b. Yes: Alexander, Brooks, Holmes-Hill, Morgan, Reddick
 - c. No: None
5. Financial Report – Tabled due to questions of amended reporting.
 - a. Motion: Holmes-Hill/Support: Alexander
 - b. Yes: Alexander, Brooks, Holmes-Hill, Morgan, Reddick

c. No: None

6. Public comment - None

7. Director's report – See attached

8. Old business

- a. Historical Marker – No new updates
- b. Staffing – Posting of one part time staff position

1) Motion: Alexander/Support: Holmes-Hill

2) Yes: Alexander, Brooks, Holmes-Hill, Morgan, Reddick

3) No: None

9. New business

a. Library Board Meeting Schedule – Agreed to continue current meeting schedule to include no meetings conducted in August and December.

1) Motion: Alexander/Support: Holmes-Hill

2) Yes: Alexander, Brooks, Holmes-Hill, Morgan, Reddick

3) No: None

b. Holiday lighting – S. Shipman will conduct further research

10. Announcement or comments from Board Members - None

11. Adjournment: 7:17p.m.

a. Motion: Holmes-Hill/Support: Alexander

b. Yes: Alexander, Brooks, Holmes-Hill, Morgan, Reddick

c. No: None

The next general meeting will be at 6:00 pm on Monday, October 13, 2025 at the Ecorse Public Library.

Completed by: Kimberly Alexander October 13, 2025

Week 1 (July 15-19)						
Day of the Week	Tue.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Total
10:30		4	22	3	5	34
11:30		4	5	0	3	12
12:30		0	4	3	4	11
1:30		3	5	11	3	22
2:30	26	7	7	3	3	46
3:30	6	4	7	9	7	33
4:30	5	10	9	10	2	39
5:30	7	8	7			22
6:30		3				3

All Week Averages						
Day of the Week	Tue.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	
10:30	4.7	3.3	8.8	2.3	2.8	
11:30	7.0	4.5	4.3	4.0	4.8	
12:30	12.0	2.8	3.0	3.8	5.5	
1:30	10.0	3.0	4.5	6.5	2.0	
2:30	17.5	4.8	7.8	6.0	3.8	
3:30	5.0	3.5	4.8	5.8	4.8	
4:30	7.8	6.3	6.3	5.0	2.8	
5:30	9.5	6.3	4.8			
6:30		5.3				

Week 2 (July 22-26)						
Day of the Week	Tue.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Total
10:30	2	5	5	4	3	19
11:30	5	8	6	2	8	27
12:30	24	6	2	3	9	44
1:30	11	4	5	5	2	27
2:30	33	4	11	9	4	61
3:30	5	3	2	1	2	13
4:30	5	4	4	6	0	19
5:30	5	8	5			18
6:30		4				4

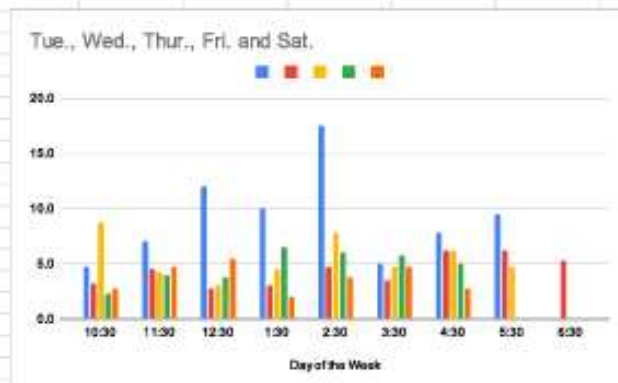
Week 3 (July 29-August 2)						
Day of the Week	Tue.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Total
10:30	4	2	4	2	1	13
11:30	5	5	3	11	5	29
12:30	2	4	0	3	7	16
1:30	5	4	5	6	3	23
2:30	5	6	6	4	2	24
3:30	5	3	4	4	1	20
4:30	5	9	3	4	1	22
5:30	11	7	3			21
6:30		11				11

Week 4 (August 5-9)						
Day of the Week	Tue.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Total
10:30	8	2	4	0	2	16
11:30	11	3	3	3	3	23
12:30	10	1	6	6	2	25
1:30	14	1	3	4	0	22
2:30	5	2	7	8	6	28
3:30	1	4	6	9	9	29
4:30	13	2	9	0	8	32
5:30	15	4	4			23
6:30		3				3

Week 4 (August 12-16)						
Day of the Week	Tue.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Total
10:30	7	4	0	5	1	17
11:30	5	2	7	2	4	20
12:30	9	4	9	12	3	37
1:30	10	3	2	5	2	22
2:30	12	5	13	6	3	39
3:30	7	8	13	5	11	42
4:30	7	2	5	3	1	18
5:30	5	15	4			24
6:30		6				6

Week 4 (August 19-23)						
Day of the Week	Tue.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Total
10:30	0	3	3	3	1	10
11:30	5	7	3	9	0	24
12:30	5	4	3	3	1	16
1:30	5	1	4	2	1	11
2:30	9	1	4	4	8	26
3:30	11	3	4	5	9	32
4:30	9	8	3	6	8	32
5:30	5	5	2			12
6:30		5				5

Week 5 (August 26-30)						
Day of the Week	Tue.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Total
10:30	5	4	0	0		9
11:30	5	4	4	4		17
12:30	5	2	4	8		19
1:30	8	3	5	7		23
2:30	12	4	7	4		27
3:30	7	10	3	8		28
4:30	8	7	3	3		21
5:30	4	5	3			12
6:30		1				1



The library attended the Senior Center Picnic on August 1 and passed out lawn signs to residents.

The library has replaced over 100 old style library cards with a new card for patrons since July.

We are working on getting the Friends of the Library restarted soon. We have several interested patrons and hope to gain strong traction.

Library Operations

The library has been engaging in several initiatives to carefully steward budget funds including purchasing materials from other libraries including carts, knitting needles, and tables. The library purchased a commercial grade door for the meeting room from facebook marketplace at a significant savings. We estimate the amount saved to be \$5000.

The carpet was cleaned by Hagopian on July 12 and should be cleaned again in January. Cintas is deep cleaning the bathrooms and entrance vestibule once a month.

The flowerbeds around the building have been weeded and our wildflower seeds are sprouting.

The fall newsletter is slated to be delivered in mid-September.

Staffing

Bradley Winter and Fatemeh Lagzian separated from the library on July 23 due to budget constraints. We wish them both the best.

SRP

Report from Celeste Moutos

During Summer 2025, 169 people of all ages registered for the Summer Reading Program, which ran from June 10 - August 9th.

The program this year involved everyone logging each day they read at least 15 minutes. People were able to select a book when they registered for the summer reading program. After completing 30, 40 and 50 days of reading, they could select a small prize and would be entered into a drawing for a larger prize drawing at the end of August. Partnering with Ecorse Parks & Recreation, we hosted storytimes at different parks Fridays and we celebrated the end of summer reading with a bubble party attended by 65 people at Dingell Park on August 9th.

We had great success: Out of the 169 registrants, 85 people (50%) logged 40 days of reading! Eighteen people (11%) read at least 50 days!

Part of the great success is due to collaborating with three different organizations. This included 69 total people in Ecorse Public Schools and two private day cares.

We initiated an exciting partnership with the Dr. Brenda Hague Early Learning Village, which expected over 60 students to attend Summer Camp June 23rd through July 28th. Two sets of students walked from school to EPL four out of the five

weeks of summer camp and participated in events scheduled at the library on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. We scheduled two sessions of each of these so that the students and the members of the public attending would have good opportunities to interact with the performers / our community partners.

June 24: Brain Games with We Shall Read; storytime

July 1: Youth Arts & Crafts: 4H/MSU Extension; storytime

July 9: Reptiles and Amphibians of Michigan: Wayne County Parks

July 15: Jump into Foods & Fitness: MSU Extension; storytime

July 22: Spider Hero Training; storytime

Two private day cares brought their kids to storytimes on Thursdays and participated in the summer reading program, too.