



Library Board October 2024  
Special Meeting

October 16, 5:00 pm

Virtual

Topic: Special Library Board Meeting

Time: Oct 16, 2024 05:30 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

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Call to order: SAA, MA, CC, JC, MJ, SJ, MR

1. Approve Agenda
2. Public Comment
3. Continuing Business
4. New Business
  - a. Consider a new professional contract with Engberg Anderson Architects for phase two of the Vaughn renovation
  - b. Discuss Demonstration Kitchen
5. Adjourn

## Director's Report

### Renovation Update

I am working on coordinating the AV / Data / Communication aspect of the renovation. Basically, looking for a company who will work with the contractor and architect to get all of the technology we need incorporated into the building. Staff and I continue to plan the move to the Beaser Ave site and "get rid of stuff". I met with the public works/facilities team and they are willing to help us move our non-collection things (office stuff, chairs, file cabinets). I will be meeting with the Book Nook committee to discuss their plans for 2025.

### Grants & Capital Campaign

I do have some news and we can discuss, celebrate at the meeting. Currently, the information I have to share is not public but will be soon. Also, the Friends have agreed to increase their contribution to \$100,000 (was \$50,000) which will put us right on budget for Phase One. We did not receive the Otto Bremer Foundation grant, so it is very fortunate our Friends are in a position to help with additional funding. If you are not a Friend, [please join!](#)

### Fall Programs

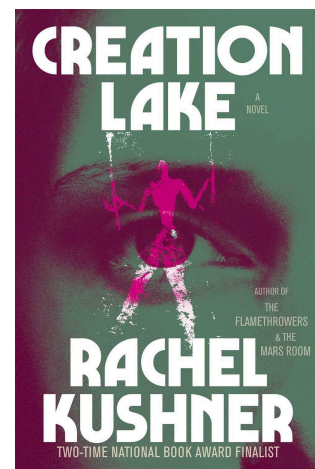
Just when you think things are winding down, here they go again. Lots of fun stuff going on at the library and some new programs coming as well.

### On the Horizon

Still waiting to see what the 2025 budget will be. Creating a new scheduling system for staff desk shifts in 2025. Also, putting together an information sheet regarding meeting space in the community and what our 2025 meeting space availability will look like.

### Book Recommendation

I am excited to read *Creation Lake* by Rachel Kushner. It is getting a lot of award nominations and hype. An American spy infiltrates a French anarchist group in rural France. I am not really sure what the plot is, but there's intrigue, a little bit of shape-shifting ancient mythology magic and of course deception. Just finished *Warrior Girl Unearthed* by Angeline Boulley - which is one of the Chequamegon Books. It is fast paced, incorporates themes of indigenous repatriation, internal corruption at the tribal, private collector university level, plus the heroism of young adults. Pretty good read!



*Sarah Adams, Director*