

Library Board October 8 2025 Meeting

Oct 8, 5:30 pm Literacy Room 618 Beaser Ave

Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84238926946?pwd=lqTW1FMBACODsGfC13B2qWzzBUYs Rd.1

Meeting ID: 842 3892 6946

Passcode: 164513

One tap mobile

+13092053325,,84238926946#,,,,*164513# US

+13126266799,,84238926946#,,,,*164513# US (Chicago)

Call to order: SAA, MA, CC, JC, LG, MJ, PL, MR

- 1. Approve Agenda
- 2. Approve Minutes September 2025
- 3. Public Comment
- 4. Continuing Business
 - a. Renovation Update/Progress Report
- 5. New Business
- 6. Director's Report
 - a. Statistical Report
 - b. Financial Report
- 7. Adjourn

Director's Report

Renovation Update

Some of the last change orders are coming through based on things that have come up along the way - existing conditions is the term used in the field. Alex Ramsey, architect, and I have reviewed budget numbers. It looks like we have about \$10,000 in contingency at this moment. Furniture and shelving proposals have not gone out yet, but the estimates are in the current budget numbers. Of course, when we have those actual numbers, things may change a little. It is possible some expenses will also come up as we near the end of construction. For the most part, given all of the masonry and additional engineering work, the project is very close to being right on budget. We will have a capital request for roof work in 2026 or 2027.

Library News

We are celebrating the right to read by giving away library swag this week - during Banned Book week. Our collection budget is getting close to 90%, so we will be slowing down purchasing and focusing on pulling together curated collections for folks to browse. We also have some book recommendations on the library website and through social media.

Programming

Harry Potter Family night is this month which always brings a big crowd. Hannah has "monster week" to kick off the spooky season, lots of fun monster related stuff happening for kids. Cole is hosting a young adult graphic novel book club in the middle of the month.

On the Horizon

Planning for the move back, dedication party and some volunteers to serve as library docents are all on the calendar for the next few months. I would also like to resurrect the adult literacy service once we are moved back into the new building, and the Chequemegon Book will be one of our first big programs in the renovated library.

Book Recommendation

If you are in the mood for an atmospheric, seasonal read - try Joyce Carol Oats newest, Fox: A Novel. <u>Here's the link</u> to the review I posted on the library website.

Sarah Adams, Director

