



Library Board of Trustees Meeting
502 Main St West
Aug 12 2026

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

1. Approve Agenda
2. Approve Minutes July 2026
3. Public Comment
4. Continuing Business
 - a. Renovation Update/Progress Report
 - i. Final Pay Approval
5. New Business
6. Director's Report
 - a. Statistical Report
 - b. Financial Report
7. Adjourn

Building Update

I am still waiting for Immel to address the vapor barrier issue and the dents/scratches on the kitchen hood. As of today, we have not sent the final payment to them. We are getting three estimates to put pushbars on the Main St entrance and to make the south entrance ADA compliant. The grant funds need to be spent by Sept 31, so we're on a tight schedule now. The third floor meeting rooms have proven popular with a wide range of people/groups. The State Sustainability office hosted a regional meeting, using all of the rooms and the kitchen. The Water Protectors used the space for education/training and community meals over a period of 4 days. A small group of teens play DND every Wednesday morning in the cafe area. Needless to say, if you build it they will come 😊 I have not heard back from the DOA regarding the 2nd request for additional funding.

Programming

Summer reading is wrapping up. The number of participants, especially for kids programming, is high. There was a fun trip to Suri Fina farm via the Bart Trolley the last week in July. I do witness a bit of strain on staff with extra coverage for vacationing colleagues and extra planning/prep for summer programs. As we look at the 2027 budget, hiring summer help might be a way to address this.

Budget

I will have preliminary numbers for you at the meeting. Looking at spending on fixed costs like utilities, I do think we are "in the ballpark" as far as budgeting goes. As trustee Crandall has noted, more data will be helpful to make more accurate estimates for those costs.

On the Horizon

Lots of items are in the basement, things we were not sure if we'd use or not. At this point, I think it would be good to have a sale. Perhaps the same weekend as the Whistlestop??

Mosaic Project - Lisa Leplavy connected with mosaic artist Rose Spieler and her partner about creating a mosaic piece for the "Juliet" balcony on the Vaughn Ave side of the building. More to come on that. But it would be a nice tie-in to other community mosaics and draw more attention to that unique feature of the building.