

BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Darcy Library of Beulah

July 15, 2025

Call to Order: The regular Board of Trustees meeting called to order at 3:30 PM. Those in attendance and constituting a quorum were:

Present: Cathy Hahn, Chloe McGehee, Betsy Taylor, Debby Laslo, Ann Strehle, Dan Schoonmaker, Christy Trigg (Director)

Absent: None

Approval of Agenda: Taylor moved to approve the agenda, Laslo supported, the agenda was approved.

Approval of Minutes From Previous Meeting (5-20-25): Schoonmaker moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting, McGehee supported and the minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report (See corresponding documents)

- Review of the financial statements for the fiscal year-ended June 30, 2025.
 - Net income for fiscal-year was \$9123 compared to the revised budgeted loss of \$3207.
 - Due to the prior budget revisions, all accounts are under budget.
 - Penal fines greater than expected, grants brought program service and capital outlay costs down, utilities under budget due to LED light replacement
 - Bank balances of \$161,257 include Michigan Class balance.
 - The Equity (Fund Balance) of \$168,191 reflects the fiscal year income of \$9193.
 - Unpaid bills (\$0), Paid (\$112,641.08) since last meeting June 15, 2025.
 - Schoonmaker moved to approve the financial statement and payment of bills; Laslo supported, motion approved.
- Friends Pending Grant
 - Recommended that the additional \$5000 for Personal Services be delayed pending a review later this year.
 - Schoonmaker made the motion as written above, Hahn supported, motion was approved.
- Volunteer Bookkeeper
 - Unfortunately resigned due to illness.

Director's Report (Christy Trigg - Director)

- 56 kids, 37 adults have enrolled in the Summer Reading Program. Prizes include Golden Tickets from Crescent Bakery for completing the program.
- Beulah Art Fair. \$189 in book sales. Signed up for next year, need more tables also.
- One hour prior to Music in the Street the Library will provide Happy Hour activities for all ages, average about 30+ mocktails, good opportunity to promote the library
- July 4th parade went well, a dozen walkers, all candy given out, Denny and the dinosaur were a hit.
- Gather 2 Grow program put on by Feeding America provides shelf stable lunches for groups of individuals during the summer. Philip is looking into this for next year.
- Mid-Michigan Library League (MMLL) will have a Summer Symposium and Watch Party for the Summer Reading Program on December 4. Christy would like to send Kris if she is willing.
- Possible "Bark in the Park" on August 16th.

- Artwork is being displayed on the stacks, adults and kids
- Upcoming events and recent events with participation numbers were listed.
- Presented stats regarding patron activity, genre of books loaned, and number of books loaned. Participation is increasing.
- Computer update down the road, need to catalog the equipment and develop a plan for what we need.
- Library survey available.

Committee Reports

Personnel Committee

- Nothing to report

Building and Grounds

- Porch garden area looks beautiful; furniture is used almost daily

Janice Schoonmaker Memorial Subcommittee

- Dedication to be in August, plaque will be placed, request that the Friends fund another pad for the other previous bench.

Liaison Report with Friends of the Darcy Library

- Asked about listing new books/DVDs at the counter and shortening hold times
- Discussing bags at checkout, new fundraiser, bake sale prices

Unfinished Business

- **Anishinaabe Land Acknowledgement**
 - Nothing new to report
- **Helen Tanner American Indian Collection**
 - Process of updating the cataloging and referencing with Apollo is continuing
- **ADA Compliance**
 - On hold, may be a winter project.

New Business

- None

Other Business

- None

Next Meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 19, 2025, at 3:30 PM at the Darcy Library.

Adjournment:

Schoonmaker moved to adjourn the meeting, Laslo supported. Meeting adjourned at 4:46 PM.

Respectfully submitted: Catherine Hahn, Recording Secretary