

IRONWOOD CARNEGIE LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

4pm Tuesday, September 24, 2025

Ironwood Memorial Building Auditorium

- I. **Call to order: 4:00** Present- Lynne Wiercinski, Helen Slining, Amber Hurkmans, Pam Johnson, Wendy Hicks, Kim Corcoran. Absent- Kathi Maciejewski, Wyatt LaBo
- II. **Approval of August 2025 Financial Reports:** Pam Johnson moved, Helen Slining seconded, all approved.
- III. **Approval of August 2025 Meeting Minutes:** Amber Hurkmans moved with correction of ODea spelling, Wendy Hicks seconded, all approved.
- IV. **Adjustments to the Agenda:** None
- V. **Unfinished/Continuing Business**
 - a. **Fundraising/Grants**
 1. **Starck Jones Foundation:** We were awarded \$25,000 towards the building fund in whatever we see fit.
 2. **United Way grant submission:** Lynne requested \$900 for the Storywalk next year.
 3. **FOL Book Sale:** The Book Sale will be 10/17-10/18. Prices will stay the same.
 4. **Capital revenue update:** Lynne presented a worksheet updating the Board and showing money raised at \$161,141 and our project need of \$107,783, leaving us with \$53,358. There are also additional donations that have not been received as of this date.
 - b. **Building Project Update**
 - **Discussion and Approval of PR#3 for \$10,013.63: installation of AC and installation of wood base trim to replace vinyl:** Amber Hurkmans moved to pay, Pam Johnson seconded. All approved through roll call vote. Motion was carried.
 - **Discussion and Approval of PR#4: Tuckpointing 12,262.50 for chimney and back wall area:** This change order is not part of the Grant and will be paid from separate operations funds. Pam Johnson moved to pay, Helen Slining seconded. All approved through roll call vote. Motion was carried.
 - **Discussion and Approval of additional security cameras to include current building at a cost of \$4,379.98:** Wendy Hicks moved to pay, Pam Johnson seconded. All approved through roll call vote. Motion was carried.
- VI. **Programming Update**
 1. **Fall lineup :** The library event for the Mural Festival has been rescheduled due to weather. The Diversity Reading Group and Adult Poetry Groups decided independently that their groups are coming to an end. Young Authors Group and Cuddlebugs are starting again. Visits to Pioneer Park and Westgate will start again soon. Book Talks are coming up with Deb Wahlberg on 10/2 and Dick Wierenga on 11/8. Tom Pelissero will have a Book Talk in Bessemer on 11/1.
- VII. **Senior Programming possibility:** Loye Miller wants to team with the Alzheimer Association for caregiver programming.

- VIII. **Student Cards:** Lynne will investigate SORA as an option for students to access books and report back to the Board.
- IX. **Student Board Member:** Posting for a Student Board Member can be found on social media with a copy presented to the Board. Wyatt will no longer be our student board member.
- X. **New Business**
- a. **Donation-Finnish resources and programming:** Lynne was presented with someone interested in donating Finnish materials and would like to do programs and reading groups. The Board discussed and is not ready to proceed at this time.
- b. **Volunteer/Staffing Support:** When the addition is complete, additional staffing by volunteers will be required. We will need to set up a committee to oversee and establish a schedule for volunteers.
- XI. **Director's Report:** Our primary bookseller is going out of business, but Amazon is now serving libraries along with other vendors. Lynne will explore. Lynne will serve on the Gogebic Range Health Foundation community center advisory board.
- XII. **Public Invitation to be Heard (five-minute limit):** None
- XIII. **Adjournment: 5:02** Amber Hurkmans moved, Pam Johnson seconded. All approved.

Amber Hurkmans
Kathryn M Maciejewski