

DRAFT of 10-20-2025 Leelanau Township Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Present: Mary Robertson, Rick Gans, Amanda Kruk, Dale Lersch, Jamie Scripps, Mark Morton

Absent: none

Staff Present: Julie Alpers-Preneta, director

Friends and Public Present: none

- I. Mark called the meeting to order at 7:03pm
- II. Approval of minutes:
 - A. Rick moved to approve the 9-15-25 minutes, Mary seconded. Unanimous
- III. Public Comment: None
- IV. Director's Report
 - A. Great September. Erin has embraced her role as programming coordinator. New programs: Spanish Storytime with Ellie Rutila, Library Cookbook Potluck, more.
 - B. Julie followed up that the library does have liability insurance for staff, the board asked if there is insurance for directors and officers as well. Discussion about indemnification. Rick and Jamie can look at the documents. Will follow up.
 - C. Leelanau Reads Banned Books had a good turn out which board members praised highly
 - D. Julie has updated the website to include the new bios.
 - E. \$1250 to rewire all the fluorescents
 - F. Library content supplier, Baker & Taylor, is going out of business. Julie has switched to Amazon for the time being while she considers other suppliers. Leland Library uses Ingram.
 - G. Security camera company Verkada has reached out to Julie. Board discussed philosophical/ethical concerns of having cameras in/around a library vs. security concerns. Something to consider in the future, not a priority now.
- V. Financial Report
 - A. Erin is now on health insurance as a full time employee. +\$450/mo. Line 709 Health Insurance will need to be adjusted to reflect that change.
 1. Rick moved to adjust Line 709 Health Insurance to increase by \$3,200. Mary seconded. Unanimous approval.
 - B. Marilyn came Thursday and to correct line 747 Programs, a new line "955.3 Expenses paid by Friends" has been added.
 - C. Rick moved to accept the financial report. Dale seconded. Unanimous approval.
- VI. Old Business
 - A. Amanda reintroduced the topic of limiting public comment time in the bylaws after reflecting on Julie's and Anne Harper's comments last month. Currently, the bylaws allow for a restriction of up to 5 minutes.
 1. Amanda moved to change the public comment time limit to up to 3 minutes. Mary seconded. The motion passed with 5 in favor, 1 abstention.
- VII. New Business: None
- VIII. Public Comment: None
- IX. Dale moved the board to go into closed session at 7:30pm to discuss real estate matters. Rick seconded. Unanimous approval.

- X. Mary moved the board back into public session at 8:23pm. Rick seconded. unanimous.
- XI. Rick moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:23pm

Next Meeting 11-17-2025 at 7pm

Minutes recorded and respectively submitted by Amanda Kruk, secretary