

Dominy Memorial Library Board of Directors' Meeting Wednesday, October 22, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 by Vice President Cindy Helmers in the White Community Room of the library.

Members present: Cindy Helmers, Marcia Walter, Ruth Teubel, Bob Nussbaum, Jim Munz, John Tollensdorf, Sally Tipton, Jason Whitfill, Director Ashley Lewis

Members Absent: Kathy Popejoy

Minutes: September's minutes were approved as submitted after a motion by Jim Munz and a second by Bob Nussbaum.

Financial Report: The financial report was approved as submitted with a motion by Sally Tipton and a second by Jason Whitfill. Ashley Lewis reported over \$9,000 had been received from Prairie Lands Foundation and gifts.

Director's Report.

- Ashley reviewed the stats for September.
- Ashley noted the programs and their attendance held in September. Thirty-seven people attended the "Great to be a Hawk" program. Preschool Storytime had been well attended as well as the book folding class.
- Ashley noted the current/upcoming programs in October and November.
- Friends of the Library contributed \$5,000 and approved the purchase of a disc cleaner, games/activities for the children's area, and color changing cups to be used for the Christmas parade.
- Outdoor faucets and furnace filters have been replaced.
- Ashley has begun to work on non-resident letters to townships for 2026.

Old Business

- Kathy Parker will present a program to the board focusing on building and capital assets on February 25th. She will give a formal presentation then allow time for questions and answers.
- Lillian Rathbun has been hired for the Program and Outreach position. She will begin the beginning of January.

New Business

- Patron comments: none
- Ashley reported the library's book vendor, Boundless, will be discontinued as of January 1. Ashley is checking on other options.

- Ashley expressed a need for technology updates. After discussion, Marcia Walter moved and John Tollensdorf seconded a motion to approve the purchase of a new workstation for the office, a new server with new ports, and a firewall. The total amount is \$12,530. All approved. Consideration for the purchase of a scanner and copier was tabled.
- Ashley had received a quote from Blunier Exterior Cleaning for power washing for \$2,594.70. After discussion, all approved to accept that bid with a motion by Bob Nussbaum and a second by Sally Tipton.

All approved a motion by Marcia Walter and a second by John Tollensdorf to adjourn at 12:32.

Respectfully submitted,
Marcia Walter, Secretary