

HERRICK DISTRICT LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES

September 26, 2024 | Holland, Michigan

Members Present Kleinheksel, Becker, Dewey, Kool, Petzak, Rutan

Members Absent Marroquin, Van Allsburg

Staff Director Kooiker, Assistant Director Williams

2024-76 **Approval of Agenda**

Upon motion by Kool, 2nd by Rutan, the agenda was approved at 4:30 p.m.

2024-77 **Consent Agenda**

Upon motion by Becker, 2nd by Kool, the consent agenda items were approved.

2024-78 **Citizen's Comments**

There were no citizen's comments.

2024-79 **Friends of Herrick District Library**

The Friends of HDL invite you to the annual dinner at Beechwood on Friday, November 22. You will soon receive an email requesting your RSVP.

2024-80 **Director's Report: September 2024**

1. Summer Reading statistics: For this summer there was a large increase in every age group with a 20.8% increase in participation overall. Prize pickup worked well
2. Olive Township: Howard Miller's contract with Olive Township expires on September 30, 2024. As of October 1, Howard Miller library is extending special privileges to Olive Township residents to continue to check out books from Zeeland only until the November election. If the millage passes on November 5, Howard Miller library will work on a new contract with Olive Township for service. If the millage does not pass, and the Township chooses not to fund the library, Olive Township residents will not have contractual library service.
3. Big Read starts on October 1, 2024. The books are: o Coming up! Ask Annaka for Rob if you have questions

- Books are: The Great Gatsby (Big), American Born Chinese (Companion), Mexikid (Middle), Dreamers (Little), Love: A Celebration of Mindfulness (Mini)
 - Authors of Mexikid and Dreamers are coming for library visits
 - North Branch Zinefest (art programs, memoir writing)
 - Big Read is spreading out to include October as well as November
 - North Branch story project is also expanding
4. Rehmann has completed its onsite audit and will be completing the work over the next while. Report should be coming to the board in October or November.
 5. Lakeland Library Cooperative – recently completed a purge of patrons who are considered inactive. These are patrons who have not used their cards in the past 3 years or who had fines and fees that were over six years old with no use.
 6. Shelving: Shelving has been cut down and the new shelving will be installed by DexKo on Monday and Tuesday of next week, September 30 and October 1. New Furniture will be delivered starting on October 10.
 7. Lakewood construction trailer will be disappearing in the next week or two as we continue to complete construction needing continuous onsite construction supervision

2024-81 **President/Trustee Comments**

No board members indicated any interest in changing committees. Trustees should expect to remain on the same committees they served on the previous years. President Marroquin will make the official announcement about this at the next meeting.

2024-82 **Committee Reports**

Finance Committee - next meeting is November 14; Policy/Personnel next meeting is October 10. Meetings start at 4:30 p.m.

2024-83 **Budget Amendment**

Upon a motion by Dewey, 2nd by Kool, a motion passed to amend the budget to move already approved funds for the Main Library renovation project to the current year's budget.

2024-84 **Health Insurance**

Upon a motion by Rutan, 2nd by Petzak, a motion passed to offer employees the health insurance packages recommended by Advantage Benefits for the upcoming year.

2024-85

Gifts

Upon a motion by Dewey, 2nd by Petzak, a motion passed to accept with thanks the gifts to the library from the previous month.

2024-86

Adjournment

Upon a motion by Dewey, the meeting was adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

Submitted by Sara DeVries, Board Clerk