

Muehl Public Library Board Minutes

Date of Report: Monday, August 4, 2025, 5:30-6:30

Library Director: Elizabeth Timmins

Members Present: Adam Schaumberg, Kristen Diermeier, Carrie Gorges, Pat Krull, Darla Dorosz, Michelle Erickson, and Sandy Kailhofer

Members Absent:

Date of last meeting: June 2, 2025

Date of next meeting: September 2, 2025

Call to Order:

- President Adam Schaumberg called the meeting to order.
- Elizabeth welcomed guests: Whitney, Bobbie and Bradley.
- Elizabeth thanked us for the birthday gift!
- Muehl Boettcher will present another pop/up preplanning funeral event on August 14th at 2:00 since the previous one was so well received.
- On August 20th there will be a pop/up double feature of Inside Out at 1:00.

The following reports and information were presented and approved by the board:

- **June 2, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes:** Kristen D. made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Darla seconded the motion, motion carries.
- **June and July 2025 Director's Report:** Kristen asked about the Farmers' Market. Elizabeth shared that it has been ALOT! She and Tammy have discussed that next year they would be present on the Tuesdays before the Wednesday PACE program. That would make more sense since there are so few kids at the Farmers' Market.
- **July 2025 Financial Report:** Kristen made a motion to approve the financial report. Pat seconded the motion, motion carries.
- **June and July 2025 Activities Report:** July was phenomenal! Elizabeth is so happy that numbers are up to preCOVID counts! It is difficult to attribute it to one thing. The raffles are a good idea!

Unfinished Business:

- The ILS(Integrated Library System) exploration continues. Elizabeth reported that the date for recommendation is November 14, 2025. Votes will be taken on January 9, 2026. Bradley offered her thanks to Elizabeth for taking the time to be on this committee. Elizabeth wants something that works! Elizabeth commented that there are some younger librarians

on the committee who bring another perspective to the committee and she appreciates that!

- A motion was made by Kristen and seconded by Sandy to accept the System Membership Agreement. Motion carries. Adam had a comment about websites. Bradley will bring Adam's concern to the OWLS board.
- The FMPL fundraiser will benefit the expansion and advocacy. Plans are for a Family Feud Event where you pay to play and pay to watch families. It is set for Saturday, November 8, 2025. We are awaiting confirmation for the event to be held at SHS auditorium and commons.
- Elizabeth will attend the Play, Make, Learn conference in Madison on August 21-22. It is a great way to make connections.

New Business:

- Michelle reported on her continuing education opportunity for trustees. It was held in Howard. It was well worth her time. She commented that it is nice to learn the processes for public libraries versus school libraries which she has experience with. Bradley pointed out that we can always reach out to her if we have questions and concerns as trustees. An engaged and informed board is important!
- Elizabeth gave a power point presentation highlighting the collaboration with Whitney from the Green Bay Children's Museum and the Partners in Play. Whitney is an amazing educator and presenter! This program will continue through 2025 and we hope it will continue.
- Bradley reported some good news about funding for the Institute of Museum and Library Services. There has been a senate committee that will reauthorize funding. It might not be at the past levels but there is hope that funding will continue. Bradley also commented that grant funders love partnerships like the one with our library and the Green Bay Children's Museum. It brings high quality programming to rural areas and that is good for everyone! The hoops that have to be jumped through are worth it!

All business on the agenda was completed and the meeting adjourned at 6:43 Carrie made a motion and Sandy seconded, motion carries.

Respectfully submitted by Sandy Kailhofer.