

Boswell Public Library Board Meeting

May 21, 2026 - MINUTES

5:30 pm

Attendees: George Doeden, Teresa Clawson, Vicki Goodwine, Deb Orr, Deb Shepperd, Bethany Abbott, Anne Harmon, Marie Brown

Absent:

1. Call to Order
2. Public Forum
3. Blake Schoen, Insurance Review. George signed off that we received the presentation.
4. Approval of Minutes, 4/21/26 and 4/30/26. **Motion: Deb O. Second: Vicki. Approved.**
5. Approval of Vouchers & Treasurer's Report. **Motion: Deb S. Second: Anne. Approved.**
6. Director's Report
 - a. Statistics for April
 - i. Door count is up slightly from last year, 238, 2025 vs 256, 2026.
 - ii. Quilting, hosted by Anne Kumeh, had 6 people attending.
 - b. Feedback from director regarding her evaluation from 4/30/26.
 - c. Marie asked the pinterest craft participants where they found the links to sign up for the program. She discovered that at least one person used each of the avenues that she set up for registration links. Facebook was the most popular.
 - d. Professional Meetings: Evergreen Indiana Library Consortium Annual Council Meeting, Benton County Chamber of Commerce, Chamber Nonprofit Breakfast, Community Leaders, Library Leaders Community Table, Hoosier Library Collaborative and Area Directors Meeting
 - e. Trainings: Leveraging Digital Access to Grow Library Funding and Advocacy (Hoopla), Narcan Administration Training, Public Library Budget Workshop
 - f. President sign off on Marie's Work Hours
7. Unfinished Business
 - a. Refurbish meeting room, quotes.
 - i. Marie didn't receive the new contract from Hailey Construction.
 - ii. If the library pays Deno Home Decorating for supplies directly, they will be tax exempt. The library will pay Haley Construction for the labor costs.
 - iii. Use Gifts Designated Fund to pay for Meeting Room refurbishment. The Carnegie Donation was deposited in the Gifts Designated Fund. Board approved the following:
 1. Other Capital Projects \$3,000
 2. Gifts Designated \$19,000

a. Motion: Bethany. Second: Vicki. Approved.
 - b. George and Marie sign cancellation letter to Mulhaupts, Koorsen will be installing their hardware/software in July for the fire monitoring system.
8. New Business
 - a. New gutters on the old section of the library, estimate from MC Gutters.
 - i. Repair & Maintenance Bldg, up to \$1600. **Motion: Anne. Second: Teresa. Approved.**

- b. Deb Shepperd, term expires 7/31/26, re-up? No.
- 9. Review: Alcohol & Smoking Policy, p 9
- 10. Adjournment. Motion: Bethany. Second: Deb O. Approved.**

Next meeting: (different night due to Summer Reading Program Event) Wednesday, June 17th at 5:30 pm. Deb O. can't make this date

Minutes taken by Marie Brown.