

SURING AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

May 27, 2025

Members Present:

Town of Bagley-Kim Hoerth

Town of Brazeau-Jean Grosse, vacant, vacant

Town of Breed-Bette Elbe

Town of How-Kate Mikle-excused

Town of Maple Valley-Candie Lehto

Town of Mountain-Joann Urban, Gail Golden-absent

Village of Suring-vacant

Education Rep-Tonia Kruschke

(Quorum Met)

In Attendance: Library Director-Jill Trochta

Sharon Jansen

The May 2025 meeting of the Trustees of the Suring Area Public Library was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Board President Tonia Kruschke, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Joann Urban, seconded by Kim Hoerth, and carried. A motion to approve the minutes of the April meeting as corrected was made by Candie Lehto, seconded by Bette Elbe, and carried.

DIRECTOR/FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY REPORT: Jill reported on the WAPL Annual Conference at the Oshkosh Convention Center where 36 breakout sessions were held on a variety of topics. She especially enjoyed “Reading the World Around Us: Rocks as Libraries” with Dr. Maria Bjornerus and hopes to implement this perspective at our library. The InfoSoup Library Road Trip began May 23. Patrons are encouraged to pick up a map booklet to visit the many libraries in the InfoSoup System. The monetary Summer Reading Program donations from area businesses, Friends of the Library, and families are very much appreciated. The trustees agreed that an email blast and media blitz will generate even more support as Jill continues to promote summer reading at the library in Suring.

The Friends of the Library had a very successful Rummage Sale this year with sales and donations netting over \$ 7,000. Their next fundraiser will be the Bridge Ice Cream Social & Brat Fry on Sunday, July 20.

TREASURER’S REPORT: Jill reviewed the May petty cash report, April revenues, and May Bill Report with the board. Attendees received the April Summary of Accounts from the N.E.W Credit Union confirming the purchase of the Certificate of Deposit.

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS: The May Bill Report was reviewed and signed by Candie Lehto and Joann Urban. The motion to approve payment of May Bills was made by Candie Lehto, seconded by Joann Urban, and carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- a. Discuss whether or not to have meetings every month: Due to absenteeism and vacancies on the board the trustees may decide to meet every other month rather than monthly. Jill will contact the Nicolet Federated Library System for guidance as we move forward.
- b. Approve having June-August Board Meetings at 9 AM: Motion of Approval was made by Candie Lehto, seconded by Kim Hoerth, and carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. By-Laws (IV - VI): Article V Section 6. Quorum: Candie Lehto explained how the present Quorum of 6 is reduced to 5 until all member vacancies are filled.
- b. Painting of Foyer: Candie Lehto moved to share the cost of painting the foyer 50/50 with the Village of Suring. Seconded by Joann Urban, the motion carried.
- c. Miscellaneous: Some members are having issues printing out the emailed reports in the new Adobe Creative Cloud platform. Please let Jill know if you need printed copies prior to the meeting.

There being no further business, President Tonia Kruschke called for adjournment at 5:58 p.m.

Our next meeting will be on June 24, at 9 a.m. in a location to be determined.

Submitted by

Bette Elbe, Secretary

Approved June 24, 2025