

Canton Public Library Board of Trustees General Meeting Minutes

June 19, 2025 - 7:00 PM

The Chairperson, J. Lee, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Present: H. Abdu, N. Eggenberger, A. Iqbal, J. Lee, A. Watts

Absent: A. Wahby

Also Present: S. Bewick, E. Davis

CALL TO AUDIENCE

Present: K. Bounds, L. Golden, M. Hathaway, A. Hodges, M. Nicholson, C. Swanberg

No comments

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved by unanimous consent.

APPROVAL OF GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

The minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

COMMUNICATIONS

None

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

In addition to her written report, Davis shared that Brandon Grysko of Fausone & Grysko, PLC has watched the June 18, 2025, Wayne County Commissioners meeting online and advised that the proposed settlement agreement was approved; he has not yet received official notification. Per the approved agreement, the library should be paid the full amount of owed penal fines within 45 days of approval, and, in consideration, the library will drop all future claims.

Custom signage has been installed over the new Friends of the Library lobby bookshelves. The Friends announced that they will host a one-day \$.25 Sale on Sunday, June 29, to sell an influx of donations.

As of May 31, the library is 42% through the fiscal year. The library has not yet received this year's penal fines or the second payment from Michigan State Aid. Accountant Debbie McHugh will be consulting with Plante Moran to determine the best way to recognize the revenue from the penal fine settlement.

Davis received confirmation from Canton Township Emergency Management Coordinator Will Hayes that both the library and Summit on the Park will be designated as official cooling centers.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

- J. Lee reported that she has received several positive comments from the public about the new shelving units installed for the Friends of the Library.
- J. Lee proposed cancelling the July board meeting. E. Davis advised the board would receive the 2nd Quarter Budget Amendment and the first draft of the 2026 budget at the next meeting on August 21. The group consensus was to cancel the July 17 meeting; E. Davis will distribute a Director's Report in July to keep the board informed of current events at the library.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS & GENERAL ORDERS

None

NEW BUSINESS

August 2025 – July 2026 Health Care Plan Options Overview – Kapnick Insurance Account Executive Angela Hodges reviewed the recommended healthcare options. The Blue Care Network Healthy Blue Living HMO Platinum 500 (the library's current plan) has been re-certified with minimal changes at an average cost increase of 15.55%. A. Hodges advised that the significant premium increase is largely attributable to increased prescription costs.

E. Davis advised that the library recommends renewing the current medical plan and continuing the 80/20 cost share under PA 152.

Approve 2024-25 Health Care Contract – N. Eggenberger moved, and H. Abdu supported a motion to renew the Blue Care Network Healthy Blue Living Platinum 500 healthcare plan contract for August 1, 2025, to July 31, 2026.

The motion passed unanimously 25/6-19-1 (5-0-0)

Approve PA 152 Health Care Premium Cost-Sharing – N. Eggenberger moved, and A. Watts supported a motion to approve the 80/20 split for PA-152 Employer/Employee Insurance Premiums Cost-Sharing.

The motion passed unanimously 25/6-19-2 (5-0-0)

62 Days of Summer program presentation – Engagement & Design Department Head Laurie Golden presented an overview of this year's summer reading program.

2026 Budget Discussion – Expenditures – Capital Expenditures – The trustees discussed the projected capital replacement schedule provided by the department heads. Business Services Department Head Marian Nicholson confirmed the library is still partnered with Canton Township for EV charging stations, but is waiting for the township to move forward with the project.

2026 Budget Discussion – Revenues – E. Davis advised that, despite the increased Headlee reduction, next year's budget is projected to increase due to continued new developments; the library

recommends budgeting for the full \$1.4202 mills with a 99% collection rate. The board did not have any additional questions at this time.

CALL TO AUDIENCE

None

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 PM.

Amy Watts, Secretary-Treasurer