

PETOSKEY DISTRICT LIBRARY
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
Thursday, June 25, 2026

The meeting was called to order by President Kim Block at 5 PM.

Present: Kim Block, Laura Dinon, Ann Ingles, Amy Janssens, Trevor Nelson, and Val Meyerson, Library Director. All Board members were present.

Agenda: Val requested adding an item under New Business concerning a new book return for the new Bear Creek Township building on Click Road. The agenda was approved by unanimous consent with the stated addition.

Public Comments: There were no public comments. Val took the opportunity to introduce Karen Smith, a new employee at the circ desk.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the May 28, 2026 regular meeting were approved by unanimous consent.

Approval of Bills: Payment of the bills for May 2026 was approved by unanimous consent.

Treasurer's Report on Financial Statements: Trevor stated that the financial reports continue to look good.

Reports:

- Friends of the Library - Ligita Lapins represented the Friends board and reported that FOPPL had voted to provide the funding for the design planning by krM. She also reported that the June book giveaway was successful, a membership drive will start soon, and the summer book sale dates are July 23 - 25.
- Comments/questions from Township Representatives: Garrett Muir, representing Bear Creek Township was present but had no comment.
- Director's Report - Val had provided a written report. She elaborated briefly on recent and upcoming staff changes and answered questions about the plan

to contract out the quarterly newsletter and some of the tech support responsibilities and answered board member questions concerning effects on the budget. Val then gave a detailed presentation from a meeting earlier in the day with the krM architects, which she and Assistant Library Director Jodi Haven had attended. There were multiple possible plans described for each level of the library building. Board members asked questions and offered input. Staff and Friends will see this presentation in the near future.

Board Member Comments: none

Unfinished Business: none

New Business: The suggestion of providing a new drop box for the new Bear Creek Township building was discussed. Val estimated the cost at \$1800 to \$2000. A survey of township card holders had been conducted. Garrett stated that township business will still be conducted from the original offices. The Board decided to revisit this topic later in the year.

Public Comments: None

The meeting was adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ann Ingles, Secretary