Ogden Farmers' Library

Board of Trustees Meeting

Agenda May 21st, 2026 at 6:30pm in the Library meeting room

Present

- Alex Hinkley (Pres)
- Linda Tague (VP)
- Amanda Metzger (Sec)
- Laura Gannon
- Kathleen Britton
- Terri Monsees

Excused

- Amy Holko
- Nick Messoloras (Treas)
- Rachael Holley

Also Present

- John Cohen (Library Director)
- Steve Toms (Town Liaison)

1. Call to Order / Agenda Changes **(ACTION REQUIRED)**
    a. Meeting was called to order at at 6:30 by Alex Hinkley
2. Action on Minutes **(ACTION REQUIRED)**
    a. Terri Monsees noted that Laura Gannon was listed twice on the attendance.
    b. Motion to approve with amendment made by Laura Gannon, second by Kathleen Britton and was unanimously passed.
3. Public Comments - rules: Remarks are limited to 3 minutes. Remarks must be addressed to the entire board. Remarks must contain no personal attacks. The board does not respond during the comments section.
    a. None of this time from Steve Toms, Town Liaison
4. Correspondence
    a. Local citizen posted pictures of books he didn't think should be in the library. 1100 comments on the facebook post. Library is not engaging, though about 60% is supportive of the library. Post has quieted down.
5. Friends Report: Vice-President Tague
    a. In packet, nothing else to add
6. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Messoloras **(ACTION REQUIRED)**
    a. Profit and loss - total income is favorable.
    b. Total expense is unfavorable for about $23,000, $10k of which is for personnel.
    c. Line on balance sheet is almost exactly where it was last it.
    d. Linda had a question about taxes from last mont's warrant. John has not followed up but will do that.
    e. Motion to approve made by Linda Tague, second by Kathleen Britton, and passed unanimously.
7. Director's Report (with Librarians' reports)
    a. Personnel Report

i. In packet.

8. Unfinished Business
    a. Policy review – Display Case policy
        i. Motion to approve was made by Terry Monsees, second by Amanda Metzger and passed unanimous.
9. New Business
    a. September Board Meeting – change date to 10th or 24th?
        i. Board decided that the meeting would change to September 24, 2026.
        ii. Motion to change the date of the September board meeting was made by Laura Gannon, second by Amanda Metzger, and unanimously passed.
    b. Biennial Long Range Plan Review
        i. See attached for details on the Long Range Plan
        ii. Items in green are going well, yellow is close to meeting outcome, and red is not meeting outcome or not needed any longer.
10. Public comments – rules as above
    a. Steve Toms -
        i. Profit and loss statement. There are no measurements around the income statements.
            1. John will ask Nick about this.
        ii. Computers - Problem with letting computers slide is that software is no longer supported.
    b. Terri - Narcan available in library - are people trained? New staff aren't, but John said they will work on getting everyone trained.
    c. Kathleen - was there any feedback why the rural library grant was denied? John said it's because what was being asked would support the entire Monroe County Library system, not just the Ogden Farmers' library. Next year, will write a grant proposal for just our library.
11. Executive session if needed
12. Motion to Adjourn
    a. Motion to adjourn made by Linda Tague, second by Laura Gannon, and passed unanimously.
    b. Meeting was adjourned at 7:04pm.

Upcoming meetings:
Board of Trustees Meeting will be Thursday, June 18th, 2026 at 6:30pm in the library meeting room.