Ogden Farmers' Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
Agenda July 16, 2026 at 6:30pm in the Library meeting room

Present	Excused	Also Present
Alex Hinkley (President)	Amanda Metzger (Sec.)	John Cohen (Library Director)
Linda Tague (Vice President)		Steve Toms (Town Liason)
Nick Messoloras (Treas.)		
Laura Gannon		
Kathleen Britton		
Amy Holko		
Rachael Holley		
Terri Monsees		

1. Call to Order/Agenda Changes
    a. The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by President Alex Hinkley, with no agenda changes.
2. Action on Minutes
    a. There were no corrections to the minutes.
    b. Motion to pass as written was made by Terri, seconded by Nick, and passed unanimously.
3. Public Comments
    a. There were no public comments at this time.
4. Correspondence
    a. John received a letter from the Moribito Trust; this year's disbursement is expected to be approximately $40,000. The letter's timing was good, as he is beginning to plan the 20247 budget.
5. Friends Report: Vice-President Tague
    a. In packet, no changes.
6. Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Messoloras
    a. Total assets equal $1.6 million and are on trend with last year
    b. Revenue is running $35,000 higher than last year, driven by State aid

c. Expenses are running $42,000 higher than last year, driven by system service cost changes and personnel expenses being $11,000 more than expected.
d. Motion to approve the June warrants made by Laura, seconded by Rachael, and passed unanimously.

7. Director's Report (with Librarians' reports)
    a. Discussion of John's report focused on current statistics, Hoopla, Spencerport High School yearbook for future years, and a new mural.
    b. Additional discussion of restricted accounts at Key Bank, budget session challenges, and advocacy opportunities for board members.
    c. Personnel Report
8. Unfinished Business
    a. Policy Review – News, Media, Photography, and Videography Policy
        i. John noted that while he had made the wording edits, he had left out the capitalization edits
    b. Motion to approve the updated News, Media … policy with grammatical and capitalization edits was made by Linda, seconded by Nick, and passed unanimously.
9. New Business
    a. Long-Range Planning – Board questions
        i. John has held three public comment sessions, and also spoken with multiple stakeholder groups, receiving valuable information with definite themes including the charitable donation drives, which collections to continue, and love of the library's programming with a desire for increased programming.
        ii. Discussion regarding metrics – does the board want the quantitative metrics to be written with achievable or aspirational data in mind?
        iii. John will begin work on putting together the new plan after he returns from vacation in August 4th and requested that board members submit their input to him by that date.
10. Public Comments
    a. Steve had three comments, as follows:
        i. Any published goals in the long range plan should be attainable, keeping stretch goals internal

ii. Regarding potential staff raises in the 2027 budgets, take numbers rather than percentages to the Town
iii. Discussion of 2026 budget expenses that have reached 100% (or more) of their budgeted amounts

11. Executive Session if needed
12. Motion to Adjourn
    a. Motion to adjourn was made by Amy, seconded by Rachael, and passed unanimously.
    b. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Kathleen Britton