

Limestone Township Library District  
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, April 16, 2026  
6:30 PM

In attendance: Gary Dahn, Morgan Helm, Darcy Stomberg, Libby Wasser, Jill Whalen, Director Cassidy Steinke, FOL Vice President Christine Rambeaux

Absent: Cara Eckersley, Tricia Coffman

1. Call to Order at 6:30 PM
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Public Comment—none
4. Minutes—approval motion made by Darcy; second by Jill; all in favor
5. Treasurer's Report—Filed for audit
  - a. Total expenses to be approved: \$20,782.62 motion to approve made by Darcy; second by Libby ; all in favor
  - b. Foresight: \$53,664.12
  - c. IL Funds: \$111,005.45
6. Director's Report
  - a. University of Illinois Embryology Training
  - b. Completed and submitted Illinois State Library Security Grant
  - c. Many phone calls and meetings with contractors and insurance regarding storm damage

- d. Met with people from Bibliotheca
- e. Met with Personal Cuts Lawncare
- f. Attended Budget 101 Workshop
- g. Updated Employee Handbook
- h. Installed artwork with Heather
- i. Planned staff inservice day
- j. Submitted application for ILA's Director's University
- k. Karyn is adding Tonies (small audio devices) to the collection
- l. World Book Online due for renewal on May 22. It has only been utilized 2 times in the last 12 months.
- m. 57 People participated in "Countdown to Spring" challenge
- n. Children's programs have seen increased attendance
- o. 30th Anniversary Open House Saturday, April 18
- p. Offering more passive programs like "Pot of Gold Hunt"
- q. Attended Village of Limestone Easter Egg Hunt at Deer Ridge Barn
- r. Will attend Blast Off to Kindergarten at Bonfield Grade School on April 30
- s. Staff In-Service April 25

#### 7. Building Committee

- a. Cloud Panels Sound Proofing
  - i. Cost of acoustic treatments submitted by Josh Helm \$1152.69
- b. Roof Repairs
  - i. A check will be issued for 33,597.77
  - ii. Schoolhouse roof will need to be repaired too
- c. Parking Blocks Installation
  - i. Gary will do this when he's available

#### 8. Friends of the Library—Next meeting May 26, 2026

- a. Spring Book Sale raised \$1498
- b. Culver's Fundraiser raised \$395
- c. Monical's Fundraiser raised \$153
- d. Candy Sales raised \$135
- e. Funds provided through FOL Fundraisers:
  - i. Dav Pilkey Day \$250
  - ii. Spring Reading Challenge \$100 to prize baskets
  - iii. Museum Adventure Pass \$120
  - iv. Membership to Kankakee Chamber of Commerce \$200

## 9. Old Business

- a. Library Funding
  - i. Back Door Referendum? Cassidy will talk to lawyers about this and get more information
- b. Library Expansion Ideas
  - i. Libby has been researching ways to get funding
  - ii. State of Illinois has building grants that we can apply for
  - iii. If we want to move forward, we need to set aside money for a building fund, make a plan, and work with an architect. Staff will be asked about input. Cassidy will set up a building expansion meeting date.
- c. LTLD Policy Review:
  - i. Employee Handbook Approval: *Action Item*
    - 1. Pg. 17, Step 2: Head Librarian is crossed off. Replace with Library Director. Motion made to accept with correction made by Libby; second by Morgan; all in favor
- d. Security Camera Follow Up

- i. Grant has been submitted. Hope to hear back in the next month or two
  - e. Statement of Economic Interest due May 1, 2026—all are turned in
  - f. Other—None
- 10. New Business
  - a. *Illinois Public Library Standards: Collection Management—Review*
  - b. Approve Illinois Funds transfer to Foresight Bank Account:  
*Action Item*
    - i. Transfer \$50,000 from IL Funds to Foresight
- 11. Adjourn at 7:23 PM motion made by Darcy ; second by Jill; all in favor