

Lake Odessa Community Library Board Meeting

February 26, 2025

1. Meeting called to order by Pepper at 6:06pm.
 - a. Present: Beard, Beglin, Dillon, Miller, Pepper, Spitzley, Director Salgat.
 - b. Absent: Deardorff, Goodemoot
2. Public Comment: none.
3. Motion by Miller, supported by Beard, to approve the agenda as written. Ayes all. Carried.
4. The minutes from the previous board meeting (January 22, 2025) were reviewed. Motion by Beglin, supported by Dillon, to approve the meeting minutes as written. Ayes all. Carried.
5. The treasurer's report was reviewed. Motion by Beglin, supported by Miller, to approve the report and pay the monthly bills as presented. Ayes all. Carried.
6. Librarian's Report:
 - a. Mike has set up a new program called "Sidewalk Science," and it has been well received on the Library's Facebook page. The teen game nights are also very well attended. The electrician replaced 6 more sconces. The Library may need to repair the outdoor spigot due to a leak. New library cards continue to be issued for new patrons each month.
7. Old Business:
 - a. No news to share.
8. New Business:
 - a. Legal Representation
 - i. DDA is making changes, and the Library has the ability to opt out of the DDA because they are needing to make a potential emergency extension. There is a library lawyer who will help through the process. The attorney will draw up a plan that meets the State requirements. This would be a one-time opt out for our Library.
 - ii. Motion by Beard, supported by Dillon, to approve the letter of engagement with Anne Seurnyck, with Foster-Swift-Collins-Smith, PC. Ayes all. Carried.
 - b. Public Hearing: 2025-2026 Budget (Exhibit B)**
 - i. Motion by Miller, supported by Beglin, to temporarily adjourn the regular meeting and convene the public hearing to review and discuss the 2025-2026 budget at 6:48pm. Roll Call Vote: Beglin - yes, Beard - yes, Miller- yes, Pepper- yes, Spitzley- yes, Dillon - yes. Absent: Deardorff, Goodemoot
 - ii. Review of Exhibit B: *Lake Odessa Community Library Proposed Budget for 03-01-25 thru 2-28-26*; see attached. Document was reviewed without public comment. After discussion, no further comment from the Board.
 - iii. Motion by Dillon, supported by Beard, to adjourn the Public Hearing and re-convene the regular board meeting at 6:57pm. Roll Call Vote: Beglin - yes, Beard - yes, Miller- yes, Pepper- yes, Spitzley- yes, Dillon - yes. Absent: Deardorff, Goodemoot
 1. The regular board meeting was re-convened at 6:57pm.
 2. Motion by Beard, supported by Miller, to approve the proposed budget FY 2025-2026 (Exhibit B) as presented in the Public Hearing. Roll Call Vote: Beglin - yes, Beard - yes, Miller- yes, Pepper- yes, Spitzley- yes, Dillon - yes. Absent: Deardorff, Goodemoot
9. Friend's report:
 - a. Friends are planning a spring event. They have new names on their Lifetime Membership display.
10. Motion by Dillon, supported by Miller, to adjourn the meeting at 7:00pm. Ayes all. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Spitzley - Secretary