

Ionia County Library Association

Thursday, March 19, 2026

Location: Sozo Coffee, Ionia

1. The meeting was called to order by Cory at 10:04 A.M.
 - a. Present: Cory (Portland), Dale (Ionia), Alex(Saranac Clarksville), Britney (Belding), and Jennifer (Lake Odessa)
 - b. Absent: Mattie (Lyons)
2. Approval of Agenda: motion made by Britney, seconded by Alex, approved by all
3. Approval of Minutes: motion made by Jen, seconded by Britney, approved by all
4. Public Comment: No public present
5. Treasurer's Report: nothing to add
6. ICLA Youth Report (no Youth Librarian present)
 - a. Scavenger Hunt
 - i. Great Start secured funding to purchase books as prizes
 - ii. Each library has materials and will decide how the scavenger hunt looks locally
 - iii. Scavenger Hunt begins Wednesday April 1st through Saturday May 30th
 - b. Battle of the Books
 - i. All prizes ordered and received
 - ii. All libraries have teams this year
7. Unfinished Business
 - a. Millage
 - i. Yes Committee meets April 13th @ Tower Hall in Ionia
 - ii. Directors to continue to work on letters of support, slide presentation, and pictures by March 30th
 - iii. ICLA Directors will meet Ionia County Commissioners on Tuesday, April 14th at 3PM
 1. Introduce ICLA to the Commissioners
 2. Bring ballot proposal language
 3. Bring Commissioners Resolution
 - b. On the Same Page:
 - i. Discussed program at James C Veen Observatory in Lowell
 - ii. Alex will contact the observatory for tour group dates, times, & cost
 - iii. Britney will look into a digital sign-up platform for all libraries' patrons
 - iv. Each library has book discussions planned for May
8. New Business: nothing to discuss
9. Sharing Time
 - a. Ionia has programming for Spring Break
 - b. Belding also discussing Spring Break and working on the budget
 - c. Portland back-up battery system being upgrade/installed and staff changes
 - d. Saranac has Easter Program, looking for a substitute clerk, working on installing elevator at Clarksville
 - e. Lake O Spring programs coming up
10. Motion to adjourn at 10:43 AM made by Alex and seconded by Dale.

Next regular meeting: Friday, June 12, 2026 at 10:00 AM in Lyons