



## Library Board Meeting

2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Admin Office

126 E Main St

Ionia, MI 48846

**October 16, 2024**

### Minutes

**Call to Order:** President Yeomans called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

**Members Present:** Stephanie Batista, Amy Fuller, Nancy Miller, Ashley Reisbig and Gale Yeomans

**Members Absent:** Toni Ann Buys

**Other Attendees:** Director Dale Parus, Manager of Library Operations Paula Wood and Union Representative Shanni Kerr

**Approval of Agenda:** **Motion** by Miller to approve the agenda, supported by Reisbig. Motion carried unanimously.

**Previous Minutes:** **Motion** by Fuller to accept the September 18, 2024 meeting minutes, supported by Batista. Motion carried unanimously.

**Financial Reports:** The September 2024 financial reports were received and filed.

**Public Comment:** Glenda Kilpatrick, the Friends of the Library Treasurer/Secretary attended to learn more and work on forming a relationship with the board.

**Director's Report & Statistics Report:** The Director's Report and the September Statistical Reports were received and filed.

#### **Committee Reports**

--*Finance Committee (Batista, Parus & Wood):* No report.

--*Personnel Committee (Yeomans, Buys & Parus):* No report.

--*Policy Committee (Miller, Buys, Parus & Kerr):* No report.

--*Building and Grounds Committee (Fuller, Reisbig & Parus):* No report.

--*Grant Committee (Yeomans, Batista & Parus):* No report.

#### **Continuing Business:**

--*Ionia Community Library Foundation (ICLF):* The *Meander on Main* fundraiser was a huge success. The registrations exceeded their goal with over 120 people. The feedback was very positive and the participants all want to do it again next year. The official total is not yet in for the donation to ICLF, but it was estimated at around \$2,600. The event raised awareness for both the ICLF and Sadie's Love Scholarship.



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--*Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) Grant Update:* The CDS paperwork was reviewed by the USDA Rural Development Authority (RDA) at the State level and they have come back with a list of five items that need clarification or a response. Parus will send the appropriate information and responses back to the USDA RDA.

--*FICL Environmental and Historical Study Update:* The Phase 1 investigation uncovered many possible concerns that will be flagged in the review by the government agencies that ICL now must get approval from, and ICL must do investigative due diligence in order to proceed. The Phase 2 investigation proposal has been issued. More information is needed as to when and if the Phase 2 investigation must be done. The Board directed Parus to pause on the Phase 2 investigation and to submit the Phase 1 reports and all other required information to date.

**New Business:** None.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Adjournment:** **Motion** to adjourn by Fuller, supported by Reisbig. Motion carried unanimously. President Yeomans adjourned the meeting at 6:26 PM. The next regularly scheduled Board meeting is 6 PM on Wednesday, November 20, 2024.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paula Wood  
Manager of Library Operations