

Minutes
Bartholomew County Public Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
Hope Branch
April 21, 2025
4:00 pm

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:04 p.m. by President Gron.

Present on site: Monta Frazier, Gary Gron, Laura Hack, Vern Jorck, Dawn Doup-Pandit, Susan Finke Scott, and Mike Wilkerson. Library staff: Jason Hatton, Director; Mike McIver, Attorney.

Present via Zoom: None

Absent: None

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the March 24, 2025 Board Meeting were reviewed. Doup Pandit moved and Hack seconded approval as presented. The Board was polled and all answered Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Report and Approval of Claims

A. Claims 232 through 259 in the amount of \$462,938.79. Hatton made note of some claims. Jorck moved and Frazier seconded approval to pay claims as presented. The Board was polled and all answered Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Action Items

A. Hope Branch Renovation- Jouis Joyner and Ellen Bowman presented plans for the Hope Branch renovation to begin this fall. This will include new flooring, paint, furniture, staff lounge, and some new shelving. The new layout will allow flexibility to create more space in the middle of the branch for programming or other activities if needed. Hack seconded and Finke Scott seconded a motion to approve purchase of furniture in the amount of \$128,332.23 with the caveat that the Hayworth chairs with arms be evaluated for durability. The Board was polled and all answered Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports

A. Hatton presented his Director's report.

- SB1 Budget bill passed and signed into law. This will affect our budget process and dollar amount for the foreseeable future. However, the exact impact is not yet known.
- Eastside location – Still waiting on a quote from Housing Partnerships. Seeking a quote from Repp and Mundt as well.
- LEX- No updates on vandalism

Public Comment – 3 minutes per speaker

None

New Business

Hatton reminded the Board that the next meeting will be May 19, 2025 at the Downtown Columbus branch.

Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:29 p.m.

Attested:

Laura Hack, Secretary

Gary Gron, President