

Franklin Grove Public Library
Regular Meeting of the Library Board of Trustees
Tuesday, July 8, 2025 at 6pm

Call to order: 6:03pm

Attendance: Roll Call Vote - Trustees: President Patti Forrester, Ruth Newcomer, Julie Grendahl, Marilyn Spangler, Annie Etchison. Late - Christina Wilcox at 6:05pm

Director: Amy Runkle

Absent: Marla Shaner

Recognition of Visitors: N/A

Public Comments:

- A. Approval of June Minutes 2025: Motion presented by Julie Grendahl to approve June Minutes. Motion to amend by Annie Etchison to correct June Minutes. Amendment: Marla Shaner arrived late and was not absent. Roll Call Vote. Yes = 6, No = 0
- B. Treasurer's Report for June Audit: Motion to submit report for audit by Julie Grendahl, seconded by Ruth Newcomer. Roll Call Vote. Yes = 6, No = 0.
- C. Ratify Bills and Payments for June: Motion presented by Julie Grendahl to approve bills and ratify checks. Seconded by Marilyn Spangler. Roll Call Vote. Yes = 6, No = 0
- D. Director's Report: Community Chat Cafe is held weekly and attended by people of all ages. A Visit with Corrie ten Boom was well attended with 20 people. The Summer Reading Program had 40 children attend the first program and has been averaging about 30 attendees a week. About 8 volunteers have been attending weekly to help out.

Unfinished Business:

- A. Legal-informative: The majority of the board agreed to have the trust attorney advisor, Mr. Ryan Olson, represent the library in the matter of the petition to change the trust.
- B. Technology Grant-informative: Library received the digital technology grant. The grant would cover two new adult computers, a technology rep to make the

website ADA compliant, new phones including automatic messaging to filter spam calls, and online catalog pricing.

New Business:

- A. Electrical work action: Complete Electrical came out to the library to do an estimate on electrical work. The library director has been reaching out and has not been getting a response.
- B. Art show volunteers: Sign-up sheet was given to trustees for volunteer sessions for the Harvest Festival Art Show.
- C. Community Garden: Director presented the idea of a community garden in the library side yard.

Miscellaneous Business:

- A. Clue Event will take place on August 8th from 5:30-7:30pm.
- B. Jack's Lawn Care will be covering costs to fix the window they accidentally broke while working at the library.
- C. The library audit is complete but will not be finalized until the fall when the village audit is done.
- D. The new village president will be informed of the agreement between the village board and library trustees about the new library statue as costs were agreed to be split.

Executive Session:

Executive Session pursuant to 5Lc120-2

The meeting adjourned at 6:56pm. Julie Grendahl motions to adjourn the board meeting. Marilyn Spangler seconded.

Next meeting: Tuesday, August 5, 2025. 6:00 P.M.

Finance Committee - Julie Grendahl, Ruth Newcomer
Personnel Committee - Marla Shaner, Chris Wilcox, Julie Grendahl
Building & Maintenance - Ruth Newcomer, Annie Etchison, Marilyn Spangler
Policy Committee - Marla Shaner, Julie Grendahl, Chris Wilcox
Ad Hoc Committee (Long Range Library Plan) - Marilyn Spangler, Annie Etchison