HOWELL CARNEGIE DISTRICT LIBRARY
Board of Trustees Meeting
Minutes of September 8, 2026

President Kathryn Tuck called the regular meeting of the Howell Carnegie District Library board of trustees to order at 7:00 pm.

Bob Ellis moved to approve the agenda as presented. Susan Pominville seconded, and a quorum of the board unanimously approved.

Members present: Jennifer Earl, Bob Ellis, Susan Pominville, Jacob Schlittler, Kathryn Tuck, Lauren Weber, and Heather White. Library Director Holly Ward Lamb and Amber Sheerin of MLA were present. One member of the public also attended.

Members absent: None.

IN-SERVICE TRAINING
Amber Sheerin, Program and Events Director for the Michigan Library Association, presented information on trustee advocacy.

Bob Ellis moved to approve the consent agenda, and Susan Pominville seconded.

Bob Ellis moved to remove the Closed Session Minutes of August 11, 2026, from the consent agenda. Susan Pominville seconded, and a quorum of the board unanimously approved.

Bob Ellis moved to approve the consent agenda as amended including **a) Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes of August 11, 2026, b) Bills & Payrolls, including the payment register dated 08/01/2026 through 08/31/2026 for the amount of $139,765.18, and c) Resolutions: 26-18 to amend the budget for fiscal year 2025-2026 and 26-19 to authorize transfer of funds from reserve to revenue**. Jennifer Earl seconded, and the board was polled. All board members approved.

Bob Ellis moved to approve Closed Session Minutes of August 11, 2026. Lauren Weber seconded, and a quorum of the board approved. Jacob Schlittler abstained.

Comments from the Public:
None.

President Kathryn Tuck reported that the library board of trustees team is still assembling and has openings for Trivia Night, sponsored by the Livingston County Literacy Coalition, on October 10.

The treasurer's report is part of the library board packet. Treasurer Bob Ellis reviewed the report with the board. Since no action is required, the report is filed.

No **committee meetings** were held in August.

Director Holly Ward Lamb shared information on the library's case before the tax tribunal and noted that our tax attorney, Thomas K. Dillon, will attend our special board meeting on September 22 to update the board. She also described a special event on the library lawn to commemorate the 25th anniversary of 9/11.

ACTION ITEMS
UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
None.

NEW BUSINESS:
None.

DISCUSSION
- Holly Ward Lamb notified the trustees of the upcoming TLN Trustee Summit that will replace the annual Livingston County Trustee and Directors gathering this year.
- Director Lamb shared a proposed new spin on the trustee holiday gathering.
- Service Spotlight: Early literacy classes from our Youth Services Department

COMMENTS & CONCERNS OF BOARD MEMBERS

None.

Without objection, President Kathryn Tuck adjourned the meeting at 7:57 pm.

Kathleen Murray, Recording Secretary