

## **Eden Library Board of Trustees**

### **June 8, 2026**

Library board president Pat Smith called the meeting to order at 5:25 p.m. In attendance were Paula Blandino, Linda Meyer, Bettyann Neifer, Jon Wilcox, Susan Wilhelm and Library Director Donna-Jo Webster. We were also joined by John Craik, our liaison with the B&ECPL System Board.

The minutes of the May 11, 2026 were read. A motion was made by Susan and seconded by Jon to approve the minutes. This was passed.

### **Director's Report**

The director reported on statistics for the month. Our circulation was better than that of seven other locations in the system. There has been good attendance at programs. The third grade classes have been coming for their library visits.

The following bills were presented for payment:

- Henry Agle and Sons.... \$60 for the planters
- Eden/North Collins Pennysaver...\$256
- Gui's--- approx. \$40 (Payment of this was included although we don't have the bill yet.)

A motion was made by Jon and seconded by Susan to authorize payment of these bills. This was passed.

The director also reported on balances in the Local Revenue Account. She gave the treasurer \$190 from the on-going book sale. The Library also received a donation of \$260 from Garrett Lorenzo; we have been the recipient of this work-related charitable gift for several years now.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Bettyann reported on balances in all accounts at Key Bank and also at Woodlawn Federal Credit Union. We have a CD coming due at Woodlawn. She will add \$2500 to it from the general account we have there.

### **Old Business**

The Director talked to Marlene at the Town Hall about the outstanding work orders. Marlene asked her to send them to her again and she will forward them to Jeff Winter for scheduling. These include replacing the light fixtures in the outdoor vestibules, fixing two separate leaks in the basement and repairing the outdoor faucet at the Woodside entrance. The bathroom has finally been fixed, but the second one is starting to do the same thing (running for an extended period of time) and should be repaired before it is not functional.

Jon and Susan moved the outdoor pad into the basement to dry out and Tony will handle repainting it.

The garden sign in memory of Phil has been placed near the parking lot entrance. It was noted that the deer are eating both the geraniums and hostas; Linda will spray a repellent.

Linda talked to Don Brockman about the library sign base but has not received an estimate from him. Jon will follow up with a phone call to him.

Bettyann and Linda attended the ACT Meeting at the Collins Library on May 16. It was not very well attended. Angela Marinucci, Deputy Director and COO, did a presentation on Open Meeting Law and Freedom of Information Law. Interim Director Dorinda Darden presented on knowing your rights if questioned by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and gave out sample cards that individuals can carry with them. A video that Buffalo Toronto Public Media produced about the Collins Library and its "Library of Things" was also shown.

Linda passed out a draft of a new Five Year Plan of Service. Board members should read through it and make additions or other changes. We will discuss this at the next meeting.

### **New Business**

Donna-Jo noted that one of our newer employees has been putting together book displays and is working on an idea for a Bingo card to promote summer reading. Susan noted that the Town's summer recreation director is the same person as last year. She will talk to them about the possibility of having them bring kids to the library more than once during the program.

There was discussion about holding a picnic this summer. Donna-Jo has not booked the foam party for this year. She is talking to a caricature artist about doing a program or possibly a balloon artist. No decision was reached.

John Craik announced that the BECPL Board has hired a new director. Christine Schonhart, a Forestville native, is a graduate of Fredonia State and received her library degree from the University of Buffalo. Currently with the Brooklyn Public Library, she will start with the B&ECPL system in August. Dorinda Darden will stay on in some capacity that has yet to be determined.

The next meeting will be held on July 13.

Meeting adjourned at 6:25.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Meyer, Secretary