Eden Library Board of Trustees June 9, 2025

Library board president Pat Smith called the meeting to order at 5:25 p.m. In attendance were Linda Meyer, Bettyann Neifer, Jon Wilcox, Sue Wilhelm, and Library Director Donna-Jo Webster.

The minutes of the May 12, 2025 meeting were read. A motion was made by Jon and seconded by Bettyann to accept the minutes as read. This was passed.

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Donna-Jo reported on statistics for the month of May; she noted that patron count was up yet circulation was down. Things have been slower since the weather got better.

The following bills were presented for payment:

- Pennysaver (advertising in May) ......\$208.00
- Agles Farm Market..... \$60.00 (for the entrance planters)

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

Donna-Jo also reported on the balance in the Local Revenue account.

The Library has recently received two nice donations; one came from a former Eden resident who has donated several times through his employer's charity fund and the other from an Eden resident who grew up here and has returned as a retiree.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

Bettyann reported on balances in all accounts.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

Workers from the Town came and looked at the downspout at the front corner that appears to be plugged but we are unsure if they took any action.

The exterior automatic door is still having some issues and now the interior door makes a rattling sound when it doesn't disengage. Donna-Jo thinks that the town can fix it based on the work they did previously. She will put in a work order again.

The Library Picnic will be held on July 7 starting at 4 p.m. with the Freddy Frog Foam party. We will plan to have the hotdogs ready after that at 5 p.m. Linda will bring her grill down. Last year we had hot dogs left over so we will go with 4 packages this year. There will also be lemonade and water. Pat will check on the cup supply. Families will be invited to bring folding chairs and come stay for dinner.

Pat attended the recent ACT meeting, which was held at the Clarence Library. She passed around a get-well card for System Director John Spears for Board members

to sign. Dorinda Darden who has 40 years with the BECPL system is currently serving as interim director. There was a presentation by the head of the Library Foundation. He noted that the Foundation does not provide support for brick and mortar projects or for any operating costs. They do hold funds for use by individual libraries if the donation stipulated a particular library.

The director of the Clarence Library also did a presentation on some aspects of their programming and mentioned in particular their seed library, which is available to patrons. Pat asked them about how they handled books leftover from their sale and they are sent to Teacher's Pet. Pat also learned that the leftovers from the AAUW book sale go to Thrift Books who sells them on line.

The next ACT meeting will be held in October. Time and place to be determined.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

End-of-the year school visits have started. Five classes of third graders will be visiting. Applications for library cards are given out ahead of time and those students whose parents have returned them can get their cards and take out books.

Sue will hand out flyers about the Freddy Frog Foam Party and the picnic at the first town concert. Donna-Jo will get these to her.

The summer University Express programs have not been particularly well attended so far.

Linda noted that she and Bettyann had filed the annual reporting with the government for the Eden Library Foundation. This IRS form needs to be filed every year before May 15. Details including the necessary password are in the front of the secretary's book.

The following policies will be discussed at the next meeting: Ethics, Petty Cash, and Distribution. These are all available on the web site.

The next meeting will be held July 14 at 5:15 p.m.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Meyer, Secretary