



**Hudson Area Joint Library  
Library Board of Trustees  
Meeting Minutes  
August 17, 2021 – 5:30 PM**

**1. Call to order at 5:30 p.m. by President Paul Berning. Roll call, certification of compliance with opening meeting laws and public record laws, and introduction of visitors and guests.**

Board members present: Berning, Whiteley, Schrock, Peterson, McCarthy, Blank, O'Connor, Osterhues.

Visitors: None

Staff: Shelley Tougas, Madeline Page

**2. Citizen comments – None**

**3. ACTION ITEM: Approve Consent Agenda Items**

- a.) Approve meeting Agenda
- b.) Disposition of Minutes from the June board meeting and of any intervening special meetings.
- c.) Discussion and possible action on invoices that are not regularly recurring or are not within the 2021 Budget vs. Actual to Date
- d.) Discussion and possible action on regularly recurring expenditures that are within the Board approved 2021 budget
- e.) Discussion and possible action on 2020 and 2021 budget comparison
- f.) Golden Rule donations and spending

Motion by Schrock to approve a-f

Second by Blank

Discussion: None

**Vote taken: MOTION CARRIED - 8 Ayes / 0 Nays**

**4. Presentations:**

- a.) Friends of the Library: Page reported that the Friends' book sale is scheduled for October and the Friends' Perspectives Book Club is scheduled for September.
- b.) Library Foundation: Peterson reported that work has begun on the annual fundraising campaign with a similar approach as last year. There are plans for donor recognition and interviews of library supporters. A planning workgroup has been formed and Foundation members Susie Gilbert and Jim Bennewitz will participate.

**5. President's comments, reports, and Municipal updates:**

- a.) President: No comments.

- b.) St. Joseph: Peterson attended via zoom and presented report.
- c.) Town of Hudson: The Town has filed for county exemption based on the 3-year average. No update on lockers.
- d.) Village of North Hudson: Whiteley and Tougas are on the agenda for September.
- e.) City of Hudson: No updates.

**6. Directors' Report**

- a.) Presentation of the monthly report and statistics.
- b.) Director's report & update.

**7. Introduction of Kimberly Osterhues**

**8. President's workgroup appointments**

Appointment to Foundation work group for planning: Berning appointed himself and McCarthy to the work group. Appointments accepted.

**9. DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEM: Support for County funding mechanism**

Moved to September agenda.

**10. DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEM: Budget**

The budget workbook was discussed along with the potential options and ramifications to explore. Written materials will be prepared with the hope of attending one of the Town of Hudson's working sessions in September.

No action taken.

**11. Motion to adjourn at 7:00 by O'Connor.**

Second by Peterson.

**Vote taken: MOTION CARRIED – 8 Ayes / 0 Nays**

Respectfully submitted,  
Madeline Page