PETOSKEY DISTRICT LIBRARY Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes October 23, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by President Kim Block.

Present: Kim Block, Laura Dinon, Ann Ingles, Amy Janssens, Trevor Nelson. Moira Donahoe (student) and Val Meyerson (Library Director). All Board members were present.

Agenda: The agenda was approved as presented by unanimous consent.

Public Comment: There were no public comments.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the meeting of September 25, 2025 were approved by unanimous consent

Approval of Bills: Payment of the September 2025 bills was approved by unanimous consent.

Treasurer's Report on Financial Statements: Trevor stated that we continue to be on track.

Reports:

- Friends of the Petoskey Public Library There was no representative of the Friends present, but Val reported that the Night at the Library fundraiser was successful. Although ticket sales were not as robust as expected, there was a large number of sponsorships. Trevor mentioned that he very much enjoyed participating in the event again as an actor.
- Comments/Questions from township representatives Garrett Muir, representing Bear Creek Township was in attendance but had no questions or comments.
- Director's Report Val had provided a written report. She noted that her focus recently is on the new website platform, and the staff is in training. The library was able to have a presence at parent/teacher conferences at Petoskey schools. Val is working on a grant for the Carnegie which requires a communication plan and also learned that the Carnegie Foundation is donating \$10,000 to every current Carnegie library in celebration of the 250th anniversary of the United States.

Board Members' Comments: Amy mentioned that she had the opportunity to see library staff in action during conferences at Sheridan Elementary School and was very impressed. She has also heard many positive comments about the library.

Unfinished Business: There was no unfinished business.

New Business:

1. Review of Social Media Policy - *Laura moved and Trevor seconded to approve the Social Media Policy with the changes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Comments: Garrett commented that the Third Place for Young Adults library program which he and his wife Alie Muir host twice a month at the Carnegie has had an influx of new participants.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Ann Ingles, Secretary