

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY Board meeting June 8, 2026

Attending: Laura Pratt, Larry Hanson, Jeanne Balkman, Phyllis Porter, Angela Rowe, Natalie McAdams, Kaye Hewitt, Beth Clark, Jan Rudniki

Absent: Jill Morgan, Regina Barrera, Pari Sandage, Martha Moore

Minutes: In reference to our May 12, 2026 meeting minutes, Jeanne Balkman made a motion that we accept last month's minutes, and Beth Clark seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Laura Pratt presented the current financial report (a copy of which is attached). There were no questions about the report.

Piano Repair – At the previous Board meeting, the Board was presented with a detailed report and photos on repairs needed to our Steinway piano. Three options were submitted by Piano Works. All agreed that the least expensive option is not acceptable at this time as it only makes structural repairs and not repairs to the sound and aesthetics of the piano. Laura proposed that we sign a contract for the full repairs and, in the interim time before the piano is worked on, that we have a fund raising activity for the refurbishment. After discussion, Angela Rowe made a motion that we spend no more than \$36,000 with the option of adding the additional cost of a higher quality finish depending on the fund raising to be held. This motion also includes spending a 10% deposit now which is required by the piano company to lock in our costs. Phyllis Porter seconded the motion. All approved, motion passed. The Board will discuss a campaign to fund raise amounts to fix the piano at our August Board Meeting.

Marketing:

Jeanne Balkman indicated that we are waiting on final mock-ups from Bobcat Promotions for our new logo and membership brochure.

Regina Barrera is out of town but would appreciate getting items for posting under "Did You Know?" section of our Social Media.

Nominating Committee:

There are currently no open positions for officers and our slate of officers will be presented and voted in at the General Meeting on June 11, 2026.

Tee Shirt Designs:

Pari is working on some ideas. For now we are on hold.

Little Library:

Jan Rudniki states that the Little Library has been repaired to some degree. She has a system to fill it full of books. It is functional and is in the small pocket park by the State Farm downtown.

Committees:

At the August meeting we will decide on which committees we want to work for next year. Laura would like for us to consider which committees we want to serve on. Also proposed was a Hospitality Committee to plan on events, refreshments etc. Laura introduced a volunteer opportunity in the Library's Maker Space. We could volunteer to open it once or twice a month for about four hours. Also suggested was a Library employee appreciation once or twice a year.

General Meeting:

The Annual General Meeting is June 11, 2026. The meeting is this Thursday and we reviewed an agenda. Laura will present the President's report to cover all the things the Board's accomplishments for the year and review funding toward library requests for next year. We will elect officers for next year. Natalie McAdams will present a report from the library.

Larry Hanson will purchase refreshments for the General Meeting.

Beth Clark made a motion that we not have a July Board meeting. Jan seconded the motion. All approved, motion passed.

The next Board Meeting is August 10, 2026 at 4:00 pm. Jan Rudniki made a motion to adjourn and Angela Rowe seconded the motion. All approved, we are adjourned at 5:40 pm.