

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
HARRISON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
August 28, 2025**

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Harrison County Public Library was held on August 28, 2025. The meeting took place at the Corydon branch of the Harrison County Public Library, 105 N. Capitol Avenue, Corydon, IN 47112. Members of the Board present: Kathy Crimans, President; Sharon Mathes, Vice-President; Barbara Smith, Secretary; Pam Bennett Martin, Sharon Rothrock, Jo Ann Spieth-Saylor, Alisa Burch, Director, Jessica Stroud, Assistant Director/Treasurer & Recording Secretary, Kathy Fisher, Head of Genealogy, and Leah Porter of Blue Dot Harrison County. Derrick Grigsby was absent.

Kathy Crimans called the regular meeting to order at 3:04 p.m. and stated that a quorum was present.

Public Input

There was no public input.

Consent Agenda

Pam Bennett Martin made a motion to approve the consent agenda for the August 28, 2025, meeting. Sharon Rothrock seconded the motion, and it was approved by a voice vote.

Approval of the Agenda

Sharon Mathes made a motion to approve the agenda for the August 28, 2025, meeting. Barbara Smith seconded the motion, and it was approved by a voice vote.

Treasurers' Report

Sharon Rothrock made a motion to approve the claims, financial reports, and transfer of funds within LIRF categories for July 2025. Barbara Smith seconded the motion, and it was approved by a voice vote.

Sharon Mathes made a motion to approve a resolution to transfer funds between LIRF Category 4 (Capital Outlays) and LIRF Category 3 (Other Services and Charges) for July 2025. Jo Ann Spieth-Saylor seconded the motion, and it was approved by a voice vote. The resolution was signed by all board members present.

COMMUNICATIONS Presented by Alisa Burch, Director

Distribution of *Night* by Elie Wiesel, the 2025 SoIN Big Read selection, will begin the first week of September at all branches.

The obsolete fire alarm system at the Emporium will be disconnected.

Alisa provided a vault update.

Survey and Community Conversation update: one person attended the HCPL Corydon Community Conversation on August 26. To date, 266 HCPL planning surveys have been completed.

Alisa provided an audit update.

Jessica provided an update on the upcoming Staff Education Day.

2026 Budget Calendar

- **September 25 – 2026 Budget Adoption Meeting @ 3 pm** before the regular September board meeting.
- **November 3** – Deadline for all taxing units to adopt 2026 budgets, tax rates, and tax levies.

Kathy Fisher, Head of Genealogy, provided an update on goings-on at the Frederick Porter Griffin Center for Local History and Genealogy.

BUSINESS

Pam Bennett Martin made a motion to hold Diana Lasky's mural dedication on Saturday, September 27, 2025, at 10:30 a.m. Sharon Mathes seconded the motion, and it was approved by a voice vote.

Pam Bennett Martin made a motion to approve the updated Internal Control Policy as presented. Sharon Rothrock seconded the motion, and it was approved by a voice vote.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Barbara Smith said that it is always good to hear what is going on in Genealogy. It will be good to have the library's items out of the cabin.

ADJOURNMENT

Barbara Smith made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:39 p.m. Sharon Rothrock seconded the motion, and it was approved by a voice vote.

The board will meet again for the next regular board meeting on Thursday, September 25, 2025, after the 3:00 pm public budget adoption at the Corydon branch.

Barbara Smith
Secretary, HCPL Board of Trustees

10/25/25
Date

