

	Lodi Whittier Library Board of Trustees July 8, 2025 Meeting Minutes
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Call to order 6:33 pm

The Lodi Library Board of Trustees monthly meeting was held at the library.

Attendees

Laura Rowley, Director; John Henderson; Susie Van Riper; Lorraine McCue; Anna Holmberg; Karel Titus; Micci Bogard; Diana Lyttle; Karen Shepherd; and Jack Burrows.

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve agenda: Micci

Seconded by: Lorraine

Motion carried? Unanimously

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve minutes: Susie

Seconded by: Micci

Motion carried? Unanimously

Statements of Conflict of Interest

No trustee stated a conflict of interest.

Public Comment

A Lodi resident, Bob Romeck, attended this month's meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Micci presented the treasurer's report, including the profit and loss statement, general ledger, and expenses. We received \$13,000 in bullet aid from Congressman Palmesano's office. We received just \$1,650 of the projected \$4,000 from the Town of Lodi.

The board briefly discussed the landscaping system at the library; we are happy with our current landscaper, but should always be on the lookout for other resources as a backup plan.

Motion to pay the bills and approve all expenses as presented to be paid: Diana

Seconded by: Jack

Motion carried? Unanimously

Director's Report

Laura presented the Director's Report, including:

- Circulation/Usage Stats (June 2025)
 - Stats are healthy and on par with historical averages, with some seasonal variation.

- June programming, as usual, was diverse and plentiful. Planting a flower garden, the Physics Bus, Dungeons and Dragons, the Veterans writing group, GATLAS, Craft Circle, and lots more programming aimed at patrons of all ages and interests!
- Upcoming programs include a residency for Reading with Lucy every Thursday in July, Cooking with Carmella, Lily Pad Puppet Theater, and Craft Circle.
- Summer Reading Program update (June 1 - August 31)
- Bullet Aid received
 - o In June, the library received \$13,000 in Bullet Aid that former director Beth Bevars applied for from Phil Palmesano in 2022.

Old business

- EV Charger is installed!
 - o There is a committee to manage the EV, including Bob Romeck, Karel, Jack, and John.
 - o The board should create a policy around EV charger usage. Issues that should be addressed include but may not be limited to:
 - Should we publicize the station locally or not
 - Is charging free or must users pay
 - If users must pay, what is the rate schedule
 - If pay, what are the payment mechanisms
 - Will the chargers operate 24/7 or some other schedule
 - How long can a car remain at a charging station
 - What are enforcement mechanisms for the above
 - o Micci, Bob Romeck, Laura, and Anna have volunteered to serve on the committee
- Mulch delivered (Karel, Laura, Susie)
 - o It's being spread around the gardens bit by bit. Volunteers to help are needed, and a BIG thanks to those who have spent hours in the hot sun spreading it around the grounds!

New Business

- Book Sale Saturday 9/20, 10-4 (Lorraine)
 - o Lorraine will again oversee the annual book sale, which will take place on Sept 20, and possibly for extended hours or even more days than just the one. Last year, Laura left the shed open til October, and the library made several hundred more dollars and moved out more books, so that was a successful effort.
 - o Volunteers are needed to prep, sort, and set up ahead of time.
 - o Fans are needed to cool the hot shed during set-up and during the sale.

Motion to adjourn: Lorraine

Seconded by: Susie

Motion carried? Unanimously

The next meeting will be held on Aug 12th at 6:30pm.

Adjourned at 7:28pm

Name: Karen Shepherd		10/21/2025
Title: Secretary		Date of approval

