

Schoharie Free Library Association
Board of Trustees Meeting
August 12, 2026 Minutes

Heather Kamin called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Attendance: President Heather Kamin, Vice-President Toni Schaeffer, Secretary Bridey Finegan, Treasurer Stephen Babbitt **Trustees:** Samantha Everts, Shailene Knoop, Michelle Sherer, David Browning, Jackie Hadam, Kate McKenney, Amanda Maleszweski **Director:** Yvonne Keller-Baker
Program Director: Jennie Mosher

I. Secretary's Report

- A. Approval of [July Minutes](#)
- B. Minutes presented and accepted.

II. Treasurer's Report & Finance Committee

Next month the porch grant will be in the Grants category in the budget: CREATE Grant has been spent on many events

Building Repair numbers are not accurate. Yvonne requests that Evening Star make the corrections.

- A. [Monthly Report & Transaction Detail](#)
- B. [Treasurer's Review](#)

III. [Program Director's Report](#)

Summer Reading wrap up party will have Karaoke.

Learn2Braid was a popular program conducted with Middleburgh Library. Discovery Tuesdays were well attended. Effort to get more teens attending programs. Art program for older young people. July was a blockbuster month for programs.

IV. Policy Committee

- A. [Draft Patron Confidentiality Policy 6/26](#)

The Library and Program Director will double check permissions before posting patron photos. It is up to the staff to verify who has given permission.

Toni Schaeffer moved that the board accept the Patron Confidentiality Policy. Amanda Maleszweski seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

V. Building & Grounds Committee

Les Foland will trim tree branches that hang low. Will do for under \$500.

Yvonne and Shailene have an upcoming meeting with our DRI contact.

VI. Fundraising Committee

Lights of Love and Wreath Silent Auction were successful fundraisers.

Possible Easter Egg Museum fundraiser this year.

VII. Director's Report

Schoharie Jackdaws are history projects celebrating the 250th anniversary of our country. The (Cobleskill) Community Library received a grant for this project. They are part of our circulation now.

'Bring on the Spectrum' gave the library "quiet time grant items" to help individuals with sensory processing challenges.

VIII. New Business

Amanda Maleszweski moved to accept Josh Lockwood's bid for the porch renovation. Shailene Knoop seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Jackie Hadam moved to approve the purchase of juvenile non-fiction, not to exceed \$1400. Kate Mckenney seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Director Evaluation Policy: Please read before the September meeting.

Trustee Treasures Town-wide yard sale Saturday, Sept. 12. Book Sale needs helpers. Jackie Hadam will manage Trustees Treasures from 7:30 to noon. Volunteers needed for 9-3p.m. Kate McKenna will help with donated items this Friday. Yvonne will create a signup sheet. Book Sale needs volunteers from 11 am-cleanup on Saturday, 9/12. Volunteers also needed for setup on Fri Sept 11th

Samantha Everts moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 p.m. Bridey Finegan seconded. **Motion carried unanimously.**

Next Regular Meeting: September 9, 2026

Respectfully submitted

Bridey Finegan

September 4, 2026