
Graham Public Library Board
Monthly Meeting Minutes –July 8, 2026

President Loppnow called the meeting to order at 5:03 pm.

Board members present: Kris Bernstein, Gretchen Hansen, Rachel Loppnow, and Jan Winget.
Also present: Sara Swanson, Library Director. Absent: Kristy Boyle, Gayle Kerznar, and Glen Miller

Comments by Citizens Present: None

The minutes of the June 10, 2026 meeting were approved on a motion by Winget; seconded by Bernstein. Carried.

The June Income and Operating Report and Balance Sheet were presented and reviewed.
Winget moved to approve the financials; seconded by Bernstein. Carried.

The vouchers for July were presented and reviewed. Winget moved to approve the vouchers including WE Energies; seconded by Hansen. Carried.

New Business

Swanson presented revisions to the Internet & Computer Use Policy, the Internet Use Consent Form, and the Wi-Fi Hotspot Borrowing Policy & User Agreement. After discussion, Hansen moved to approve the revisions; seconded by Winget. Carried.

Village of Union Grove Board Representative Report N/A

Library Director Report

Personnel:

~Melanie attended an adult programming meet-up on June 17. She met many other library staff from the system and gathered ideas for possible programs.

Facilities:

~During our spring HVAC tune-up it was discovered that our air conditioning units needed more coolant and some significant repairs. The repairs have been completed; thankfully the library remained cool during the work.

Programs:

~Additional businesses have donated to our summer reading program: Culver's of Sturtevant, Grove Insurance, H & R Block, and The Nerdy Word. We are so thankful for all the support! We've had a number of youth and adult winners already and everyone has been happy with the selection of prizes.

~We started the 1,000 Books before Kindergarten initiative in late 2025, and this month, we had our first child complete the program. Reading (or being read to) 1,000 books in about 8 months is quite an accomplishment!

Upcoming Programs:

Legos & Games—Mondays at 2-6pm

Story Time—Wednesdays at 10am

July 9 at 10am—Board Games

July 9, 16, 23, & 30 at 3:30pm—Destination USA children's activities

July 10 at 11am—Digital Drop-In

July 11 at 10am—Jigsaw Puzzle Contest

July 14 at 10am—Storywagon: NaHale Hawaiian Dancing (at UGES)

July 14 at 5:30pm—Book Club: A Flicker in the Dark

July 15 at 4pm—Basket Weaving

July 16 at 1pm—Kevin Wood as Abraham Lincoln

July 20 at 10am—Movie: Wicked for Good

July 22 at 1pm—Common Scams & Frauds

July 23 at 1pm—Book Club: The Confession Club

July 23 at 6pm—Pajama Storytime

July 24 & 25 during business hours—Craft Swap

July 28 at 10am—Storywagon: Wehr Nature Center (at UGES)

The meeting was adjourned at 5:33 pm. The next monthly meeting of the Graham Public Library Board will be Wednesday, August 12, 2026 at 5:00 pm, at the Library.