
Graham Public Library Board
Monthly Meeting Minutes –August 12, 2026

President Loppnow called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

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

Comments by Citizens Present: None

The minutes of the July 8, 2026 meeting were approved on a motion by Winget; seconded by Miller. Carried.

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

The vouchers for August were presented and reviewed. Winget moved to approve the vouchers; seconded by Bernstein. Carried.

New Business None

Village of Union Grove Board Representative Report The findings from the impact fee study were shared.

Library Director Report

Programs:

~We held a good variety of programs this past month, and each was well attended. Patrons especially enjoyed the Abe Lincoln program and the Scams program. Melanie helped 9 people during our Digital Drop-in, which is a lot in just one hour. Our basket weaving program for children offered hands-on cultural learning. 32 people enjoyed our Books on the Bus program (we partnered with Dousman Transport). And, our 6 Story Wagon programs for youth this summer were very popular with over 800 attendees!

Personnel:

~ On August 7, I attended the annual Directors' Retreat at Franklin PL, which was a good opportunity to meet other directors in Southeastern WI and to earn continuing education hours. I learned about data gathering, reasonable accommodations for personnel, and how to write effective interview questions; all were relevant topics.

PLLS:

~ Regarding the possible elimination or reduction of the FCC's E-rate program (which our library benefits from as it provides us discounted Internet service), PLLS sent a letter to the FCC expressing how important the E-rate program is for our member libraries.

Facilities:

~The Village DPW replaced the outdoor light fixture that shines on our flag. They will also replace the lights that shine on our Main Street sign.

Our Big Annual Book Sale is August 24 – 29.

Upcoming Programs:

Legos & Games—Mondays at 2-6pm

Story Time—Wednesdays at 10am. Starting September 8, Story Time will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10am.

Homeschool STEAM—Wednesdays at 1pm starting September 9

August 14 at 11am—Digital Drop-In

August 19 at 6pm—Succulent BINGO

August 20 at 6pm—Pajama Storytime

September 3 at 1pm—Tin Can Gardening

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 pm. The next monthly meeting of the Graham Public Library Board will be Wednesday, September 9, 2026 at 5:00 pm, at the Library.