

Ione Library District Board Meeting
10-20-25 Ione Library

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 by Chairperson, Deb Campbell.

Roll was called. Board members present: Deb Campbell, Margo Sherer, Ann Clabaugh, Anne Morter and Betty Rietmann. Librarian Becky Doherty also attended.

The minutes from the September 15, 2025 meeting were approved.

Financial Report:

2025-26 YTD and the September I/E reports were provided. There was nothing particularly noteworthy in either report. The checking balance is \$8,999.64 (10/14/25). The County Investment Fund 662 \$20,588.56 and the reserve fund 686 \$300,387.23 (9/30/25).

Librarians Report:

- The Mommy and Me program on Wednesdays is still going. Attendance varies, especially since school started. The fifth graders do not have a set schedule to visit.
- The statistical report has been completed and submitted. Becky provided the board with a spreadsheet with numbers pertinent to our library.

Old Business:

- Ann and Becky attended the Local Budget Law training in Pendleton on September 24. Ann reported that it was interesting and useful. Both Becky and Ann felt that attending the training was valuable.
- Liz will be contacting Wambeke to have the windows cleaned after the watering is complete for the winter. She will also schedule O-So-Clean to shampoo our carpets.

New Business:

- The Scholastic Book Fair is scheduled for the first week in November. Cydney McElligott will organize the event with Ann Clabaugh's help. Cydney is looking for volunteers to help. Becky noted that the Topic Club still has over \$300 in scholastic dollars. If the library is interested in purchasing some of the scholastic books perhaps they could use the Topic Club dollars and reimburse the topic club.
- Becky let the board know that she has deleted around 40 followers from our Facebook page. These are folks who are from overseas and have not relationship with our library. Becky is concerned that we may be opening ourselves to scams.
- The board will need to consider cost of living adjustments in November and December, to take effect January 1, 2026. To facilitate that, a history of salaries was provided.
- Ann reported on her effort to engage the Hispanic community. She has talked to Cydney McElligott about bi-lingual students who could volunteer to help us. Ideas were to have the library manned by a Spanish speaker on a regular basis. Also, a Mommy and Me session for some of the Hispanic mothers, increasing our Spanish language collection and perhaps establishing a Little Library for Spanish language books. The board is very supportive and all efforts.

For the Good of the Order:

A letter was received from the State Library with information about the LSTA grant. The grant is secure thru Sept. 2026. The State Library has scheduled some listening sessions, both virtual and live, that they are encouraging us to attend.

Respectfully submitted, Becky Doherty, Librarian