



The Lapeer District Library will be the community's destination for resources, education, technology and connection.

**Lapeer District Library  
Regular Meeting of June 19, 2025  
Lapeer Center Building  
Minutes**

**25R.0.0 Call to Order:** at 5:30pm by K. Kohlman

**25R.0.0 Roll Call:**

Bonnie Lawrence	County (Marathon Township)	12/31/2028	Present
Kari Kohlman	County (Deerfield Township)	12/31/2027	Present
Peggy Brotzke	Lapeer Township	12/31/2028	Present
John DeAngelis	County (Metamora Township)	12/31/2027	Present
Perry Valle	County (Metamora Township)	12/31/2025	Present
Carol Brown	Mayfield Township	12/31/2025	Present
Bill Marquardt	City of Lapeer	12/31/2026	Absent

**Quorum is 4. There are 6 Board members present.**

Also present are T. Denney, library counsel, K. Haight, assistant director, J. Gillis, library recorder, members of the press and about 50 members of the community.

**25R.0.0 Public Comments (first comment period):** Twelve community members spoke.

**25R.0.0 Additions/Deletions/Approval of agenda:** P. Valle motioned that the audit report be held before the public comments section. Seconded by J. DeAngelis. Motion carried. P. Valle motioned to accept the agenda and so amended. Seconded by J. DeAngelis. Agenda approved.

**25R.0.0 Consent Agenda:** Motioned by B. Lawrence and seconded by J. DeAngelis to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

**Board Reports:**

**25R.0.0 Treasurer:** P. Valle, board treasurer, moved to pay bills from April 18, 2025 – May 15, 2025: Checks 15637-15668 from General Checking for \$34,787.92; bill pay from General Checking – Online Bill Pay for \$15,330.43; and bill pay Payroll Checking – Online Bill pay for \$107,056.25 for a grand total of \$192,162.52. Seconded by P. Brotzke. Motion carried.

P. Valle, board treasurer, moved to pay bills from May 16, 2025 – June 18, 2025: Checks 15669-15703 from General Checking for \$76,048.27; bill pay from General Checking – Online Bill Pay for \$13,839.91; and bill pay Payroll Checking – Online Bill pay for \$182,825.45 for a grand total of \$272,713.63. Seconded by P. Brotzke. Motion carried.

**Committee Reports:**

**25R.0.0 Finance** K. Kohlman will be replaced by C. Brown on the finance committee. Motioned by P. Brotzke and seconded by J. DeAngelis to replace K. Kohlman with C. Brown on the finance committee. Motion carried.

**Lapeer County Report: None.**

**25R.0.0**

**Unfinished Business:**

**25R.0.0 Proposed motion language for bylaw (amendments regarding pledge of allegiance & prayer).** Discussion. P. Valle motioned for a separate vote for both items. Seconded by B. Lawrence. Roll call vote: C. Brown, P. Brotzke, J. DeAngelis, opposed; P. Valle and B. Lawrence for. Motion failed.

**25R.0.0 Policy F Proposed motion language for public comment policy.** Some terms will be stricken from the policy. Motioned by J. DeAngelis. Seconded by P. Brotzke to approve proposed changes to the public comment policy. Motion carried.

**25R.0.0 Search Firms.** J. DeAngelis motioned to hire Summit for the new director search. Seconded by P. Brotzke. Roll call vote: C. Brown, P. Brotzke, J. DeAngelis, for; P. Valle and B. Lawrence opposed. Motion carried.

**New Business:**

**25R.0.0 2024 Audit.** P. Valle motioned to accept the audit report from MKG. P. Brotzke seconded. Motion carried.

- 25R.0.0 Budget Amendment Contractual Services.** Motion P. Brotzke to approve budget adjustment of \$20,000 from contingencies to attorney budget line to cover over \$14,000 in attorney fees for this year (which was above the \$4,000 budget amount), seconded by C. Brown. Motion carried.
- 25R.0.0 Library Owned Property.** Discussion held among Board members of the advantages and disadvantages of selling the Library owned vacant property. No motion made by the Board on the matter.
- 25R.0.0 Change Meeting to a Different Day/Time.** Discussion held among Board members about moving the Board meeting location, date and time. No motion made to do so.
- 25R.0.0 Proposed Amendment to bylaws art 4 sec 4 agenda, 5 board action, article 9 section 1.** (Discussion) P. Valle read out suggested changes to the by-laws that by-law and policy changes be submitted in writing to all board members.
- 25R.0.0 Director Search Ad Hoc Committee.** K. Kohlman announced the appointment to the proposed Ad Hoc Search Committee of P. Brotzke, J. DeAngelis, C. Brown, and John Van Wagoner of the Lapeer Community School Board. Motioned by P. Brotzke. Seconded by J. DeAngelis to approve P. Brotzke, J. DeAngelis, and C. Brown to the Ad Hoc Search Committee. Roll call vote: C. Brown, P. Brotzke, J. DeAngelis, for; P. Valle and B. Lawrence, nay. Motion carried.
- 25R.0.0 Bylaws committee.** K. Kohlman announced the appointment of the following to the Bylaws committee: P. Brotzke, J. DeAngelis, C. Brown, Bill Hamilton and Kelly Bales (Elba Township Trustee). P. Brotzke motioned to approve the appointment of J. DeAngelis, C. Brown, Bill Hamilton, and Kelly Bales to the Bylaws committee. Seconded by C. Brown. Roll call vote: C. Brown, P. Brotzke, J. DeAngelis, for; P. Valle and B. Lawrence opposed. Motion carried.

### **Staff Reports**

- 25R.0.0 Assistant Director for Technical Services** A written report was submitted.  
**25R.0.0 Director** No director at this time.  
**25R.0.0 Facilities** A written report was submitted.

### **Communications:**

- 25R.0.0** April & May Statistics  
**25R.0.0** Mary Cowles Resignation Letter  
**25R.0.0** Yeo & Yeo HR Advisory Solutions  
**25R.0.0** Summit HR Client Agreement  
**25R.0.0** Pivot Groups Contract

### **Friends Report (3-6-9-12)**

- 25R.0.0** No Friends Report was given.

### **Individual Board Comments:**

- 25R.0.0** B. Lawrence commented on absences. C. Brown commented on the Child Advocacy Center tour. C. Brown commented on public comments made.

### **Adjourned at 7:21**

- 25R.0.0 MMLC Report: no report was given.**  
**25R.0.0 Public Comments (second comment period):** Nine people spoke.  
**25R.0.0 Adjournment:** K. Kohlman moved to adjourn at 7:21. Seconded by J. DeAngelis. Motion carried.

**Regular Meeting: Lapeer Center Building**  
**July 17, 2025**  
**Finance Committee 4:00 p.m.**  
**Full Board 5:30 p.m.**

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Jan Gillis – Recorder

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Peggy Brotzke – Secretary

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Kari Kohlman – Chair