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COLEMAN AREA
— Library —

Meeting Minutes

Call to order. The regular meeting of the Coleman Area Library Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:57 pm on Tuesday, April 21, 2026

Members Present

Y Board President: Nancy Robison Y Board Vice President: Thomas Coon Y Trustee: Jeremy Longstreth
N Treasurer: Jason Lewis Y Board Secretary: Greta Tigner N Trustee: Lyndsy Bock
Y Director: Amy Comber Gross

Guests: None

Members Absent: Jason Lewis, Lyndsy Bock

Approval of Agenda. It was moved by Jeremy Longstreth to approve the agenda. Supported by: Greta Tigner. All yes, motion carried.

Public Comment: None

Approval of Minutes. It was moved by Jeremy Longstreth to approve the meeting minutes from March 2026 with corrections to show Lyndsy Bock as absent. Supported by: Thomas Coon. All yes, motion carried.

Approval of Treasurer's Report. It was moved by Thomas Coon to approve the treasurer's report from April 2026. Supported by: Jeremy Longstreth. All yes, motion carried.

Approval of Bills. It was moved by Thomas Coon to pay the April 2026 bills. Supported by: Jeremy Longstreth. All yes, motion carried.

Director's Report. A general library update was given. See attached report.

Unfinished business. None

New business. Discussion was held regarding collecting bids for replacing the library roof. It was moved by Nancy Robison to collect bids for re-shingling the library roof. Supported by: Greta Tigner. All yes, motion carried.

Announcements. Next Board Meeting will take place on May 19, 2026

Adjournment. It was moved by Thomas Coon to adjourn the meeting on April 21, 2026 of the Coleman Area Library Board of Trustees at 7:28 PM. Seconded by: Greta Tigner. All yes, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Amy Comber Gross, Library Director

Director Report for April 2026 Library board meeting

Events:

1. In April: The library participated in the Community Egg Hunt again this year. Due to cold and rain, this event had a lower turnout than previous years. The library hosted a successful bake sale by the Coleman Lions Club. The Coleman Business Association met at the library in April, and Police Chief Ward attended to answer questions from local business owners about the First Amendment Auditors who have been visiting Coleman in recent weeks. AARP Tax-Aide finished out the tax season for the year, having served 177 people (up by 3% from last year).
Still coming up this month we have voting for our Potato Prom submissions, a Floral Arranging class in cooperation with SugarBeet Floral of Beaverton, and a Blood Drive on April 30 from 2pm-6pm.
2. Coming in May: Mother's Day walk-in craft, Footnotes Walking Club, Embroidery Class, StoryTime, and "Chalk the Block" during the last week of May, just before our kickoff for Summer Reading Program in June.

Staff news:

1. Hannah & Amy attended the Michigan Library Association Spring Conference in Grand Rapids in March. We each attended several educational presentations and came home with many great ideas for community engagement and programming that we can implement here in Coleman.

Building Maintenance and Grounds:

1. While gutters were being cleaned, I was made aware of how worn the roof shingles are getting. A lot of granules (gravel) are missing from the surface of the shingles, and a lot of granules are building up in the gutters and around the downspouts. The original shingles were Landmark series brand 25-year shingles. They were put on by Brandle Roofing of Midland when the building was built in 2002. Some shingles on the front of the building were replaced due to wind damage several years ago, but most of the building has the original shingles.

Finances, Grants & Donations:

1. Funds were received from the Library of Michigan Continuing Education grant that Hannah & Amy applied for, to enable us to attend the above-mentioned conference in Grand Rapids.
2. The library has begun reaching out to local businesses and organizations regarding donations for the upcoming Summer Reading Program.