Josephine Community Library District
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, June 18, at 5:30 pm
Grants Pass branch | 200 NW C street, Grants Pass, OR 97526

Members present: Gina Marie Agosta, Pat Fahey, Kelly Robinson, Rachele Selvig

Members absent: Tina Gotchall

Staff present: Library Director Kate Lasky, Associate Director Michelle Rosenberger,

Communications and Partnership Manager Brandace Rojo Contractors: Communications Specialist Teresa Stover

Partner: Josephine Community Library Foundation Executive Director Rebecca Stoltz, Josephine

Community Library Foundation Liaison Judy Christensen

CALL TO ORDER. Ms. Agosta called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm.

STANDING ITEMS

Approval of agenda. No changes were made to the agenda.

Approval of consent agenda. Consent agenda items included:

a. May 15 Board Meeting minutes

b. Resolution 2025-035: Policy 2-3

Resolution 2025-036: GEF Grant

MOTION: Mr. Fahey moved to approve the consent agenda.

Ms. Robinson seconded. Approved by Ms. Agosta Approved by Ms. Selvig

Public comment. none

Correspondence. Correspondence was received from City Councilor Rick Riker regarding opting out of the library district. Ms. Lasky responded with guidance from the board president and vice president.

Annexation petition review. The board of directors reviewed annexation petitions from Steven & Dawn Welch, Patricia Duttweiler & Stephanie Porter, and Raymond & Denise Terrell.

Motion: Mr. Fahey moved to endorse an annexation petition from Steven & Dawn Welch, Patricia Duttweiler & Stephanie Porter, and Raymond & Denise Terrell.

Ms. Robinson seconded.

Approved by Ms. Agosta

Approved by Ms. Selvig

STAFF REPORTS

Library director's report. Ms. Lasky referred to the Library Director's Report dated June 18, 2025, highlighting the following items:

- MOTION: Ms. Selvig moved to increase the library district's contribution towards health and dental insurance for library staff to \$850.
 - Mr. Fahey seconded.
 - Approved by Ms. Agosta
 - Approved by Ms. Robinson
- The first session of Teen Bad Artists Club last week had 14 participants and was lead by the Teen Advisory Board.
- Summer Reading Program kicked off on June 14, So far, 34,906 minutes read have been logged by 431 readers.
- The State Library of Oregon secured \$2.6 million in federal LSTA funds for FY2025, ensuring statewide library services—including Gale databases, summer reading, and digital learning—will continue through June 2026 despite future funding uncertainty.
- The board discussed the most recent meeting that Ms. Lasky had with Josephine County Commissioner Mr. Barnett and legal representation regarding the Grants Pass branch lease negotiation.
- Ms. Lasky met with Goodwill leadership and library outreach and partnership departments about potential partnership opportunities.
- The Illinois Valley branch has returned to pre-COVID numbers for volunteers
- The Grants Pass branch has been experiencing a lot of security and conduct policy issues due to the resting site located a couple blocks away. The Illinois Valley branch is experiencing similar issues and will be getting a fence.
- The Dolly Parton's Imagination Library statewide coordinator came to visit last week.
- Ms. Lasky received the 2025 Zonta Community Woman of the Year award.

Financial report. Ms. Lasky reviewed the May 2025 Financial Statement memo dated June 18, 2025. She also referred to the Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual–General Fund statement through May 31, 2025, and the Balance Sheet as of May 31, 2025. These reports include a forecast.

ACTION ITEMS

Finance Policy: Credit Cards.

The board of directors held its first reading of a revised version of Finance Policy: Credit Cards. No new changes were made.

Finance Policy: Operations.

The board of directors held its first reading of a revised version of Finance Policy: Operations. No new changes were made.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Library Foundation liaison report.

• Grants received from Roundhouse Foundation and Four Way Community Foundation to update ADA access at the Wolf Creek branch.

Facilities Oversight Task Force.

• FOTF continues to meet with architects and working on the schematic phase of the plans for the new library in downtown Grants Pass.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Library director received prestigious 2025 Zonta Woman of the Year award.
- Comments from board members. none

Date and agenda items for next meeting.

The next regular board meeting will be at 5:30 pm on Thursday, July 17 in Wolf Creek.

ADJOURNMENT

The board meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Brandace Rojo for Board Secretary Kate Lasky Josephine Community Library District