

***Minutes for the regular meeting of the Ransom District Library Board of Trustees  
April 15th, 2025***

Meeting called to order by President Asselmeier at 7:04 p.m.

**Members Present**

Asselmeier, Burt, Dahlquist, Keeney, Klade, Parsons  
Director Gross  
Public: None

**Special Agenda Items**

- None

**Consent Agenda**

- Minutes of the March 18th, 2025 Regular Meeting of the Ransom Library Board:  
A motion was made (Parsons/Dahlquist) to approve the minutes as presented. The Board voted unanimously to pass the motion.

**Financial Report**

- At the end of 9 months, the Library has received 96% of its budgeted income for the fiscal year, and has spent 66% of its budgeted expenditures.

**President's Report**

- President Asselmeier praised the Library staff for their stellar assistance.

**Director's Report**

- After a minor incident in the teen room, changes are being made in an effort to keep it a friendly space and encourage younger patrons to use it as well as the teens.
- The Library will be closed on September 17th for county-wide staff training.
- The same carpenter who built the circulation desk has been commissioned to build five wooden tables for the reading room. The current tables will be distributed to other locations in the library.
- The Library was awarded a street closure permit for the Color Run on June 7th.
- Due to Federal funding cuts to the Institute for Museum and Library Services, it is likely that the Michigan Electronic Library/MelCat will be eliminated.

**Assistant's Report**

- Youth Services staff provided a series of well-attended programs during Spring Break.

**Committee Reports**

- Budget (Gelbaugh) - met and discussed the 2025-2026 Payroll as well as listed questions regarding the MERS Plan.
- Building and Grounds (Dahlquist) - little things are being repaired as needed.
- Endowment (Klade) - did not meet.

- Human Resources (Parsons) - did not meet.
- Policy (Harter) - did not meet.
- Public Relations (Burt) - did not meet.

**Trustee Comments**

- None

**Comments from the Public**

- None

**Continued Business**

- MERS Plan Details: Questions were listed at the Budget meeting. Gross has spoken with the plan expert and will continue asking questions as they arise. There is a plan to video chat with her at a future meeting.

**New Business**

- Payroll Discussion - 1st Reading: The Board reviewed the proposed Salary Budget Proposal for fiscal year 2025-2026.

Next Meeting: May 20,, 2025

Meeting was adjourned at 8:22 pm (Keeney/Dahlquist).

Respectfully submitted,  
Kelly Burt  
Board Trustee