

Washington Public Library Board of Trustees
August 22, 2024
Washington Public Library

Call to Order—President Margi Jarrard called the meeting to order at 9:30. Isabella Santoro, Gary Murphy, Regina Schantz, Mindy Graham, and Ex-Officio Cary Ann Siegfried were present. Kerrie Willis and Owen Piette joined the meeting via Zoom. Also present was the Washington City Administrator, Joe Gaa.

Approval of Minutes—Willis made a motion to approve the July 2024 minutes. Murphy seconded it. The motion carried.

Approval of Financial Reports—Schantz moved and Murphy seconded to approve the financial reports. The motion carried.

Library Services Report—Siegfried reported that total circulation and the number of library visitors was up 11% in July compared to 2023. Computer sessions increased 51% from July 2023. Program attendance was down, but this may have been due to the difference in the scheduling of bigger events. The Summer Reading Challenge ended on July 31 with a record 183,748 pages read by children and adults during June and July.

Committee Reports

- Makerspace Committee—Construction is nearly finished.
- Personnel Committee—Jarrard will email the evaluation form to the committee. The committee plans to meet before the September meeting.

Old Business—The board discussed the continuing education meeting that was held in Wellman on Aug.20.

New Business—The policy review calendar for FY 2024-25 was presented. Library Board Bylaws will be reviewed in September, 2024.

Announcements and Adjourn—The next meeting will be Thursday, September 26, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. Santoro moved and Murphy seconded to adjourn. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 10:06 a.m.