

Lakeland Library Cooperative  
Adult Services Committee December 18, 2025 at 2:00 pm  
Zoom

Chair: Katie Alphenaar, Vice Chair: Vacant, Secretary: Kristin Skinner

1. Greetings and Introductions - Call to Order
2. Additions to the Agenda
3. Approval of the Agenda (*m*)
4. Approval of the Minutes (*m*)
5. Reports
  - a. Lakeland Reports
  - b. Continuing Education Reports
6. New and Unfinished Business
  - a. 2025 Successes and Trials
  - b. 2026 Ideas (Programs, Displays, etc)
7. Next Meeting
8. Motion to Adjourn (*m*)

Lakeland Library Cooperative  
Adult Services Committee Meeting  
September 30, 2025  
Zoom Virtual Meeting  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7407387755> 2pm  
UNAPPROVED MINUTES

1. Call to order (2:04pm)
2. Additions to the agenda
3. Approval of the agenda
  - a. Motion by Alison Anderson (Spring Lake District Library), seconded by Annaka Koster (Herrick District Library)
4. Approval of the minutes
  - a. Motion by Alison Anderson, seconded by Katie Alphenaar (Loutit District Library)
5. Lakeland reports
  - a. Carol reported that LLC is wrapping up their Fiscal Report and updating the strategic plan
    - i. Major update: Find my library app to help residents find their library using a map created by Amber, managed by the Library Cooperatives of Michigan
6. Continuing Education reports
  - a. Alison reported that they met last Thursday (September 25) and discussed making it a work group and not committee
  - b. Carol asked if anyone present would be interested in future management continuing education and several participants said it would be beneficial
7. New and unfinished business
  - a. What topics to cover for this committee
    - i. Meet more often (every other month)
    - ii. Potentially focus on one topic per meeting with open discussion for programming and other topics
    - iii. Adult services other than programming
      1. Misinformation/disinformation/malinformation
      2. Computer help, getting scammed
      3. Katie said they are working on an AI identification program series and we should check back-in with her
    - iv. If you want to submit visuals, email Amber and she will share her screen (amber@llcoop.org)
    - v. See Google Shared Drive for Adult Services files:

- b. B. BiblioCommons updates
  - i. Amber shared some very cool updates coming soon including custom homepages for catalogs, ability to highlight specific materials for your library, push notifications, library card in apple wallet, key searches for book series, integration of booklists/events/etc in search results
- 8. Summer Reading roundtable discussion
  - a. Katie Alphenaar had success with experience/gift card-based finisher prizes and grand prize drawings a) Free car wash or free large boba milk tea finisher prize for adults and received recurring customers for those businesses
  - b. Kristin Skinner (Flat River Community Library) had successful finisher prizes including nice canvas bags with new logo, adult book cart, raffles for gift cards to local businesses, success with Bingo for adults
  - c. Molly Rios and Annaka Koster (Herrick District Library) had a successful finisher prize of a summerween-themed book fair, they also do the same reading program for all ages and same prize of a book and extra giveaways at the book fair
  - d. Tawnee Szczepanek (Allendale Township Library) had success with themed-prize basket giveaways for adults and had an increase in numbers, finishers could also choose a mug or playing cards, did Bingo as well
    - i. Abby Black suggested to ask your director to ask rotary or other community partners for gift card money for summer reading
  - e. Miranda Tase (SCDL) said they had higher numbers and that adult and kids do the same program, gift cards to local businesses are successful, adult lego sets very popular
  - f. Alison Anderson (Spring Lake District Library) shared they do the same program for kids and adults and that the finisher prizes are books
- 9. Next meeting date
  - a. ~~Tuesday, November 18, at 2pm~~
- 10. Motion to Adjourn
  - a. Motion by Abby Black, seconded by Katie Alphenaar
  - b. Adjourned at 3:10pm