

**LAKELAND LIBRARY COOPERATIVE
BOARD MINUTES – Unofficial
Thursday, September 10, 2026 9:30 a.m.
Kent District Library Service Center**

Present: Betty Adams, Matt Lubbers-Moore, Jessica Hunt, Ron Suszek, John McNaughton, Carol Dawe, Abby Black, Rob Bristow, Maggie McKeithan, Lance Werner
Lakeland Staff Present: Amber McLain, Ann Langlois
Absent: None.

- 1) CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:** The meeting was called to order at 9:30 by John McNaughton.
- 2) APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Rob Bristow moved, supported by Abby Black, to approve the agenda as presented - *motion carried*.
- 3) PUBLIC COMMENTS:** There were no public comments.
- 4) APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Jessica Hunt moved, supported by Rob Bristow, to approve the board minutes from August 13, 2026 – *motion carried*.
- 5) FINANCIAL REPORT:**
 - a) **August 2026** Financials and Check Register: Matt Lubbers-Moore moved, supported by Ron Suszek, to approve the August 2026 Financials as presented - *motion carried*.
- 6) PRESIDENT’S REPORT**
 - a) John shared that this will be his last meeting as Board President. Rob Bristow (OG – Georgetown) has agreed to run, but others are welcome to volunteer to run as well.
- 7) DIRECTOR’S REPORT**
 - a) Carol shared that Lakeland is hard at work with the ILS migration preparation. Carol also shared she is looking forward to the Leading Through Change seminar.
- 8) COUNCIL/COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 - a) Official Advisory Minutes from June 11, 2026 included for information.
- 9) ONGOING/NEW BUSINESS:**
 - a) *2025-2026 Budget Amendments (with footnotes)* - Matt Lubbers-Moore moved, supported by Rob Bristow, to approve the 2025-2026 Budget Amendments (with footnotes) as presented - *motion carried*.
 - b) *2026-2027 Budgets (with endnotes)* – Lance Werner moved, supported by Matt Lubbers-Moore, to approve the 2026-2027 Budgets (with endnotes) as presented - *motion carried*.
- 10) PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.
- 11) BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:**
 - a) Lance Werner shared that he has been working around the state to get municipalities to work with local libraries to protect intellectual freedom.
 - b) Abby Black shared that the Allendale board of township trustees approved the Allendale Township Library’s new collection development policy, which includes the Freedom to Read language.
 - c) Betty Adams shared that marketing material for MADL’s Dave Eggers event are available.
- 12) NEXT MEETING:** Thursday, October 8, 2026, at 9:30 a.m. at Kent District Library Service Center.
- 13) ADJOURNMENT:** Lance Werner moved, supported by Abby Black, to adjourn at **9:55** - *motion carried*.

Respectfully submitted by,
Amber McLain