

Friends of Brandon Township Public Library

Meeting Minutes

Meeting on August 10, 2026

Members present: Margaret, Alan, Monika, Tom

Staff / Board liaisons present: Fran

1. President's Report:
 - a. Tom welcomed everyone and started the meeting at 6:00 PM
 - b. Agenda item c. was added, i.e. the Brandon Township Public Library Teen Advisory Board (TAB) Grant Request presentation
 - c. TAB presentation was delivered by Anya and Owen; they provided a very good and thorough presentation, detailing the enrichment project, including hand-outs to the FOL members; after the presentation, Alan made a motion for giving them more money (\$500) and buy new, not refurbished, parts; TAB will report back to the FOL on their progress in March of 2027; Tom seconded this motion, and it was unanimously approved; Patty to write a check to the library and reference in the memo line that it's for the gaming grant
2. Vice President's Report: Margaret reported that Gina and Susan were there to help with the FOL craft booth during the library's Extravaganza event, in addition to John and Margaret; Jenny and Tom were standing by to help if needed; thanks to all who contributed and helped; on October 24, there will be another Treats and Trails event at the Community Park; she will need help prior to the event; she mentioned that The Citizen published a very nice article about the FOL's contributions to the library etc. in the August 8 edition, written by Shelby Stewart-Soldan
3. Secretary's Report:
 - a. last month's meeting minutes were approved
4. Treasurer's Report: Patty was not present, but she had provided some printouts to Fran; the current checking account balance is \$9,711.96; she collected 117 book coupons in the month of July
5. Finance Committee Report – Vacant
6. Membership Committee Report – Vacant
7. Bookstore Committee Report: Margaret stated that we are getting lots of book donations this summer, as well as loads of music CDs; she is planning to run a Back To School sale soon; she mentioned one piece of negative feedback regarding the online sales that John handles; the FedEx drop-off is located at the Ortonville Dollar General, and John ran into some issues with the rather rude manager there; in July, online sales were \$600, and so far, for August we are at \$197; the online sales year-to-date is at \$2,800, which is excellent
8. Fundraising Committee Report: so far, we have sold 154 raffle tickets; Alan returned the ten tickets that he previously took, as he was unable to sell them
9. Library Director Report: no report today
10. Library Board of Trustees Liaison Report: no report today

11. Library Staff Liaison Report: Fran shared that she gave out 14 bibs and board books in July; at the most recent Farmers Market, she ran out of book coupons! she had 180 of them; she is doing a Back To School night on August 26 to promote library cards and sign up FOL members; she reported that a total of 264 people attended the Library Extravaganza; also, the vendors were very happy to make new contacts
12. Unfinished Business: none
13. New Business: none
14. Adjournment of Meeting: the meeting was adjourned at 6:49 pm