

Glenwood Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting

May 6, 2026

The Glenwood Public Library Board of Trustees meeting was called to order by President Wilson at 5:30 PM. Present and attending in person were Dave Stickrod, Rachel Rodenburg, Stephanie Colpitts, Debra Hines and Autumn Yosten. Joe George was present via telephone.

Introduction of Guests: None

Consent Agenda –Motion to accept and approve the consent agenda as presented was made by Stickrod and second by Colpitts. All ayes. Motion carried.

Correspondence: None.

Director's Report:

- Yosten announced Valerie Garner submitted her letter of resignation. Yosten has offered the position to Valerie Jordan who will start once her background check clears and the city approves (May 13).
- Jamie Poole also submitted her letter of resignation. The part time position was posted on May 4th and Yosten will accept resumes until May 13th. Yosten requested permission to move one of the current part-time employees, Michelle, to 25 hours/week and advertise the new position at 20 hours/week. Permission granted.
- Yosten ordered the AED device and is still waiting for CPR training.
- Yosten reported that the ramp is still having water issues. She plans on contacting Pinnacle.
- Yosten announced that the library won the STEM Scale Up grant.
- Yosten plans to reach out to Heidi Kloeckner to mulch flower beds. She received a bid from Buthe Turf to seed and treat. She would still like to go to the city to see if the mowing can be taken over by the city rather than the library having to pay \$55 each session to a third-party provider. Probably a “next year” goal. George suggested reaching out to Mike at the cemetery for grounds assistance. Lily Garden to donate flowers.
- The late openings on 4/20 and 5/3 allowed time to inventory most of the adult fiction, halfway through nonfiction. Next inventory will take place on 6/15 and the plan is to finish upstairs nonfiction and begin downstairs.
- National Library week was a fun success and involved a lot of engagement within online platforms.
- The 3D printer arrived, and will need to be set up. Yosten relayed that the library will write a policy for use that will include cost. They will start will staff operating it for patrons and add patron use as staffing levels are available to train. The free arm scanner is up and running.

- Yosten reported that the library has spent \$8,110 of the Carnegie funds. Over \$5,700 spent on books. Will plan on purchasing large print books next which will be around \$1,500.
- The community survey was reviewed and, overall, the library received a lot of positive information from the community.
- Summer reading starts on the 29th of May. The plan is to get Valerie Jordan up to speed and hit the ground running. Library will use a combination of funding sources for summer reading including the donation fund, Friends of the Library and Amazon wish lists for the public to contribute. Plan on putting a QR code on summer reading preview bookmarks and a link to the story time posts. The library has already received donations via Amazon list. Ordering less than last year. No 2026 logo.
- Yosten turned in the library's registration for the Farmers Market, no associated fee. Library will attend alternating weeks from June – August.

Committees and Reports:

- Friends Report
 - Wilson announced the June 2 Murder Mystery Event partnering with Foundation.
 - Friends will send out an e-mail about event and include Amazon wish list.
- Foundation Report
 - Nothing to report.

Old Business:

- None

New Business:

1-Board Training - Chapter 10: Evaluating the Library Director

- Wilson to include George in evaluation for this year. All evaluation forms will be sent and compiled electronically.
- The rest of the board will get it in June to fill out and will be reviewed in July.
- In June the board will need to vote for new officers.
- The board also needs to finalize committee members.

2- Yosten proposed the library to open late on the 3rd Monday of the month for 2026 inventory updates.

- Hines made a motion to approve and Stickrod second.

3- Youth Librarian Update

- Please refer to the Directors report.

Questions and Comments:

- Wilson shared that some of her students came to her about the potential for a Youth Book Club at the library.
 - Books can align with the All Iowa Reads selections.

Adjournment

- There being no further business to come before the board, a motion to adjourn was made by Stickrod and second by Colpitts. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

- Rachel Rodenburg, Secretary

Kate Wilson, President