

Van Buren District Library

Board Meeting

Tuesday, March 24, 2026

Webster Memorial Library

4:30 P.M.

Minutes

Chairperson Rendell called the regular Board meeting to order at 4:30 P.M. at Webster Memorial Library.

Present: Wayne Rendell; David Vliek; Denise Campagna; Sandy Hanson; Bruce Cutting; Betty Markel; Dan Hutchins, Executive Director; Anne Seurnyck, Library Attorney; Chantelle Dowling, Business Manager; Sarah Skinner, Administrative Headquarters Manager.

Absent: Pam Dickerson- excused.

Public Comment:

1. Connie Arnold- Lawrence resident
2. Linda Weber- Lawrence resident
3. Michelle Fisher- Lawrence resident
4. Donna Spenner- Lawrence Twp. Supervisor
5. Dan Ruzick- Antwerp Twp. Supervisor
6. Tracie Rindfield- Lawrence Twp. Clerk
7. Noel McCaw- Lawrence resident
8. Tom Reynolds- Lawrence resident
9. John Gritter- Village of Lawrence President

Approval of Agenda

It was moved to move Unfinished Business to the top of the agenda and accept the agenda with that change. (Motion: Campagna; Second: Rendell; Motion: Carried).

Unfinished Business:

A. Branch Library Addendum

It was moved to accept the amended and enhanced Addendum as presented and offer it to the library's partner municipalities for approval. (Motion: Vliek; Second: Markel; Voting YES: Rendell, Cutting, Markel, Vliek, Hanson; Voting NO: Campagna; Motion: Carried).

Approval of the Minutes from February 24, 2026

It was moved to approve the minutes of the February 24, 2026 meeting as presented: (Motion: Markel; Second: Vliek; Motion: Carried).

Approval of the March 2026 Vouchers

It was moved to accept the Payment of the March 2026 "Due To" vouchers 26-03-01 through 26-03-04 in the amount of \$27,208.52 and general fund vouchers 26-03-03 through 26-03-53 in the amount of \$225,908.79: (Motion: Markel; Second: Hanson; Motion: Carried).

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Reports:

B. Financial Update

An update was given on the library's finances; the library is financially secure.

C. Director's Report & Employee Changes

Executive Director Hutchins gave an update regarding current situations, events, and staff changes at VBDL.

New Business:

A. 2025 Annual Library Usage Statistics

Executive Director Hutchins reported on the 2025 Library Usage Statistics. Over time physical material usage is essentially flat but vastly more expensive digital materials usage is steadily increasing.

B. Issuance Of Staff Credit Card to Business Manager Chantelle Dowling

It was moved to issue a staff credit card to Business Manager Chantelle Dowling: (Motion: Rendell; Second: Campagna; Voting YES: Rendell, Campagna, Vliek, Cutting, Dickerson; Voting NO: None; Motion: Carried)

Public Comment

1. John Gritter- Lawrence Twp. resident

It was moved to adjourn at 6:12 P.M.: (Motion: Hanson; Second: Rendell; Motion: Carried).

The next meeting is scheduled for ***Tuesday, April 28 at 4:30 P.M. at Webster Memorial Branch Library in Decatur.***

Respectfully Submitted,

Chairman

Secretary

Recorded by Sarah Skinner.

March 27, 2026