

Wabash Carnegie Public Library Board of Trustees
Additional Appropriation Meeting- Tuesday, August 19, 2025
5:30 PM
Wabash Carnegie Public Library
188 W Hill Street, Wabash, IN 46992

Wabash Carnegie Public Library Board of Trustees met on Tuesday, August 19, 2025 for an Additional Appropriation Hearing at 5:30 PM. This meeting was held at the Wabash Carnegie Public Library, 188 W. Hill Street, Wabash, IN, 46992. Notice was posted in the Plain Dealer on August 6th pursuant to Indiana Code Sec. 6-1.1-18-5. Members present were Bill Benysh, presiding; Rhonda Hipskind, Jeff Knee, Charles Miller, Jim Widner, Susan Baker and Mary Jo McClelland. Executive Director Jon Gaskill was also present.

CALL TO ORDER-

Bill Benysh called the board of trustees Additional Appropriation hearing meeting to order at 5:30 PM.

Action: A motion to accept and request the Additional Appropriation to make the final Pay Application payment of \$225,490 from the LIRF fund was made by Rhonda Hipskind and seconded by Susan Baker. Motion Carried.

The regular board meeting followed at 5:45 PM.

Wabash Carnegie Public Library Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting- Tuesday, August 19, 2025
5:40 PM
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Wabash Carnegie Public Library Board of Trustees met on Tuesday, August 19, 2025 in regular session at 5:45 PM. This meeting was held at the Wabash Carnegie Public Library, 188 W. Hill Street, Wabash, IN, 46992. Notice was posted of these meetings pursuant to Indiana Code Sec. 5-14-1.5-5(a)(b). Members present were Bill Benysh, presiding; Rhonda Hipskind, Jeff Knee, Charles Miller, Jim Widner, Susan Baker and Mary Jo McClelland. Executive Director Jon Gaskill was also present.

CONSENSUS AGENDA

The consensus agenda was presented, a few minor changes were made to July 2025 meeting minutes.

Action: Charles Miller moved and Susan Baker seconded. Motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Bill Benysh his possible absence for September's regular board meeting due to the WHS Boys Soccer schedule.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mary Jo McClelland commented on the most recent Park Board meeting in which an update on Pickle Ball and Tennis Courts adjacent/connected to the Honeywell Park and Pool construction was given. The new construction is slated to be completed by the end of 2025, weather and temperature permitting.

OLD BUSINESS

Payment of Pay App #18 from General Fund line 3.94- Transfer to Rainy Day

There was discussion regarding Pay App #18 for \$67,676.30 to Hamilton Hunter be paid out of the "Transfer to Rainy Day" fund #3.94. **Action:** Rhonda Hipskind moved and Charles Miller seconded. Motion carried.

Rewquest to renew Newspaper Archive database subscription

The World Archives invoice for \$2,899 was discussed, in line with previous conversations and decision to track usage of electronic databases to which the WCPL subscribes for one year. **Action:** Charles Miller moved to approve the re-subscription to Newspaper Archive. Jim Widner seconded the motion to approve. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Disposal of Library Laptop

There was discussion about the de-accession of a 2021 Lenovo ThinkPad in the possession of a former WCPL staff member, including a request to send a certified letter to said staff member requesting the equipment be returned. WCPL has eight (8) more for use in technology programming or for staff to use. **Action:** Rhonda Hipskind moved to remove the equipment from WCPL's technology inventory. Charles Miller seconded. Motion carried.

Request for Intraset to Perform Wiring and Installation of FacilitySight Cameras

After further consideration and the inability of the FacilitySight equipment to perform as originally advertised, this request was tabled to reconsider other vendors for people counter installation at WCPL. **Action:** None

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Gaskill shared highlights from the Director's Report for August 2025. Landscaping is complete on the East side of the WCPL property, work continues on the Pavilion. The final storage unit is now empty, the surplus furniture was donated to the Miami Nation in Peru to furnish their reading room. The Friends of the WCPL will meet on August 27th.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

A gentle reminder and discussion about the Strategic Planning Retreat on October 13th and 14th from 5-8 PM took place as well as some discussion about possibly changing the date of the Budget Adoption meeting in October- two to three trustees will not be able to attend on October 21, so an alternate date of 10/28 was discussed. More information to follow.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:33 PM.

Board of Trustees Regular Meeting and Additional Appropriation Minutes, August 19, 2025
Presented to the Wabash Carnegie Public Library Board of Trustees, read in full and adopted on September 16, 2025.

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ATTEST

Susan L. Baker
Secretary, Library Board of Trustees