

BETHEL PARK PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES - September 11, 2025

In attendance:

Ryan Freytag
Al Levine
Jessica DiPrampo

Christine McIntosh
Joe Janosik
Britney Hollick

Gina Brownfield

Call to Order – Confirmation of Quorum (6 of 10)

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM with 6 members present.

Gina Brownfield made a motion seconded by Ryan Freytag to accept the meeting minutes from the July 2025 board meeting as presented. With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

There was no president's report.

Christine McIntosh delivered the treasurer's report. Gina Brownfield made a motion that was seconded by Ryan Freytag to accept the report as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Christine McIntosh delivered the director's report, which included mention of Love Your Library month, expansion of the RAD Pass that's available to patrons from a seasonal benefit to running year-round, and the current request for the libraries' increase to funding for the upcoming county budget. That draft budget is expected in October.

Committee Reports:

There was no report for the Nominating/Continuing Education or Finance committees.

The fundraising committee report was delivered by Christine McIntosh and included a recap of the BP Arts & Music Festival in July, as well as details regarding the upcoming Fantastic Four Golf Outing (September 22, 2025), the artwork that has been commissioned by the Fantastic Four to commemorate America250 and the associated anticipated fundraising, and the Christmas ornament fundraiser commemorating each of the Bethel Park schools that will be closing as the new elementary center is opened and Independence Middle School's population expands.

The strategic planning committee report was given by Christine McIntosh and gave available details on the upcoming installation of ADA-compliant automatic door opener(s) for the library, funded by the annual donation from the Friends of the Bethel Park Public Library. Final details of the project will be available at an upcoming meeting.

The Friends of the Bethel Park Public Library has set dates for the following events:
Summerween Pop-Up Book Sale on September 27, 2025 at Evey's Hardware (donations are being accepted at Evey's and at the library) and the annual Yinzer Happy Hour on October 17,

2025. Board members are encouraged to both join the Friends of the Library and to consider supporting both of these events.

There was no municipal report.

There was no school district report.

There was no old business discussed.

There was no new business discussed.

The next board meeting will be held on November 6, 2025.

Gina Brownfield recounted visiting the Wheeling library and noting how special it still is, offering a controlled-access room for historical documents.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 5:19 p.m. by Ryan Freytag and seconded by Gina Brownfield. Motion passed unanimously.