

Minutes — June 9, 2026

St. Ignace Library Board of Trustees

Meeting called to order at 5:05 by President Jim Carnes.

Roll Call: Present: Jim Carnes, Becky Simmons, Deanna Drazé, Ruth LaChapelle, Jill Eyre, Joe Power, Kim Nowack, Sharon Crotser Library Director.

Minutes: May minutes reviewed. LaChapelle made the motion to approve. Motion was supported by Power. Motion carried. LaChapelle made the motion to approve the special meeting minutes with the correction of the date to May 12. Nowack supported the motion. Motion passed.

Additions to the agenda: None.

Old Business:

- Investment Policy. Power made the motion to accept the new investment policy as presented. Simmons supported the motion. Motion passed.
- New Director Contract. After discussion, Power made the motion to approve the contract with amendments. Drazé supported. Motion passed.

New Business:

- Director's Report Highlights:
 - Circulation:
 - Circulation for May is slightly lower than in 2025.
 - Collection development:
 - Sharon is updating the adult nonfiction collection. Chad is working on evaluating and consolidating nonfiction cataloging. Sarah has been working on the graphic novel collection.
 - Community:
 - Sharon attended MHS, Mackinac County Wellness Commission, and Department Head meetings.
 - Professional Development:
 - Sharon is on the UPRLC Conference Committee.

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- Programming:
 - May adult programs have had small attendance.
 - Curtis Chin, the Great Michigan Read author of *Everything I Learned, I Learned in a Chinese Restaurant*, on May 19 was well received.
 - Sarah is gearing up for the Summer Reading Program.
 - Personnel:
 - Sarah has created a fun summer series of events and activities as part of the Summer Reading Program (SRP). She also distributed SRP promotional materials to area schools. Arthur helped with graphics and also produced the newsletter with Director support.
- Approval of Payables: LaChapelle made the motion to approve payables. Power supported. Motion carried.
 - Financial Report discussed. Motion was made by Power to move from fund balance to Workman's Comp category if needed. LaChapelle supported the motion. Motion passed. LaChapelle made the motion to accept the budget report. Power supported. Motion passed.
 - Lawn care bid: Drazé made the motion to approve the Lawn care bid made by Northland Services, U.P. for \$115. Per mow. Nowack supported the motion. Motion passed.
 - Open House to say goodbye to Sharon and to welcome new Director, Abby, on June 24 was discussed. Board members divided up responsibilities.

Power made motion to adjourn. Supported by LaChapelle. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 6:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Deanna Drazé—July 9, 2026

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