

**Howard Miller Library Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
May 20, 2025**

Present: Terry Allen, Amanda Hanson (staff), Mary Wilkos (Chair), Kate Kraak, Barb Dannenberg, Alison Reese, Lynette Lam, MaryBeth Timmer

Meeting called to order 4:31pm.

Minutes from the April 15th meeting were approved as written.
M-Mary Wilkos, S-MaryBeth Timmer - Passed unanimously.

Director's Report:

- The library staff enjoyed an appreciation luncheon hosted by the Library Advisory Board in celebration of the Library Appreciation Week, April 6-11, 2025.
- Amy Raab started as our new Librarian I for 20 hours/week on April 21, 2025. She has previous library experience at Herrick District Library.
- Amanda Hanson and Lynel Danckaert have begun attending weekly strategy meetings with our website development team at Library Market. We are in Phase I, Discovery, of the project and are working to determine a blueprint for how to move forward with the website changes.

Old Business:

- A. Library Advisory Board officer nominations/elections
 - Mary Wilkos was elected chair, and Lynette Lam will continue as secretary for the 2025-2026 term.

New Business:

- A. Overview of Summer Programming
 - There is no current programming for the month of May as it is reserved for school tours. All of the summer programming is set in place with an exciting theme "Color Our World."
- B. Review of Library Policy Changes for inclusion on new website
 - The city attorney Jim Donkersloot is currently reviewing these changes, so no vote is needed until his approval.

Board Comment:

- Barb Dannenberg inquired about the closing of the Patmos Library in the Hudsonville area and there was a brief discussion surrounding the matter.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50pm M-MaryBeth Timmer, S-Alison Reese.

Next Regularly Scheduled Meeting: September 16th, 2025