

**FRIENDS OF THE L.D. FARGO PUBLIC LIBRARY
MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
JUNE 22, 2026 @ 9AM IN LIBRARY HALL**

I-Call to Order: President Vicki Wickliffe called the meeting to order at 9am. Present were Barb Becker, Holly Boesch, Carol Burrows, Barb Cramer, Patty Hoggatt, Beth Naughton, Kathleen O'Hearn, Anne Werner and Gerard Saylor. Also in attendance were Dave Lemke and Janine Fixmer. Beckie Kane was absent.

A. Approval of May 18, 2026 board meeting minutes: Beth moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Kathleen. Motion passed.

B. Treasurer's report: Barb C. reported for the period 5/19/26 to 6/22/26.

Deposits:	Notecard sales (library)	\$	1.00	
	FOL memberships		160.00	
	Used book sales-library		41.00	
	Used book sales-LM Market		40.30	
	Raffle ticket sales		880.00	
	Tote bag sales		180.00	
	Transfer from CD		5,000.00	
				Total \$ 6,302.30
Expenditures:	Change for raffle & tote bags		200.00	
	FOL scholarship		1,500.00	
	Summer Reading prize books		997.50	
	Leader Printing (raffle tickers)		157.00	
	Read, Rhyme, Rhythm		450.00	
				Total \$3,304.50

Ending checking account balance: \$10,940.33

C. Library Director's report: Gerard said the Summer Reading Program is going well, and other children's programs have been well attended. Construction bids for the library expansion went out on May 29. Bid opening is July 2. Fundraising has passed the \$2 million mark. The campaign committee has tapped most available sources for funds and will now meet with the City Council.

II. Old Business

A. Library Online Store: After discussion about pricing for items, it was decided to add \$3 to the small tumblers and \$5 for all other items. The on-line store is to promote the library and will not go towards the expansion. Beth will advise when the store goes live. Gerard will then put the store on the library website and mention it in his weekly report.

B. Screen Print Tote Bags from Aztalan Printing: Barb C. reported that out of the 24 bags made, 15 have been sold. She will re-order when the quantity left is 5.

C. FOL Audit: Vicki received an outline of the audit from Mike Bernatz. Barb C. reported that she met with Mike, who will present a preliminary and a final report.

D. Raffle of Lawn Sculpture: Barb C. requested that money turned in for ticket sales be clearly marked as such.

E. Sorting and Discarding FOL Materials: Anne reported that she, Beckie and Barb B. went through FOL storage in the library basement and were able to discard/donate a large portion of Xmas items. Patty, Barb C. and Gerard said they may be able to store what is left. Anne will report on how many boxes are left in the basement. Barb C. asked about forwarding incoming FOL mail while the library is at City Hall.

F. Temporary Storage of FOL Materials During Move: See IIE.

III. New Business

A. Book Box Brigade: Janine Fixmer suggested forming a “book brigade” with community members on moving day. This would be a line of volunteers passing books from the library to City Hall. It could be a half day event with food served and donations solicited (i.e. “\$10 keeps 3 books on the shelf”; Holly suggested having a QR code for donations). Gerard said carts could also be used to move books. A coordinator is needed. Carol suggested the FOL Board/membership form a committee. Holly volunteered to be on the committee. Janine will send Vicki an outline/details of coordinating this event which Vicki will forward to the Board.

B. Paver in Memory of Charlie Roy: Large pavers are \$500, and the FOL has received \$275 in memorial donations. The pavers can have 6 lines of text, 13 characters per line. Language to be decided. Motion was made by Anne to fund the remaining \$225, seconded by Barb B. Motion passed.

C. Use of Venmo at Library and Lake Mills Market: Holly stated that FOL would benefit from having a Venmo account which can be used for raffle tickets, book sales, bag sales and other fundraising events. She can set up an account through Paypal as a charitable business and connect to Venmo using the FOL email address. There are no fees if money sits in the Venmo portal for 3-5 days before being deposited in our checking account. Holly and Barb C. will go to BLM and facilitate this. We will also have a QR code for buyers to use.

D. Locating Annex Desk, Cabinets and Shelving: Anne will contact Brian Peterson/staff at LM Public Works to find these items previously used at the library annex that we can possibly use in the renovated FOL space for future book sales.

E. FOL Location in Library Basement for Possible Book Sales: Gerard said he thought the best space for FOL in the renovated basement will be the area closest to the entry. He was not sure how much square footage we can be allowed.

IV. Announcements and Miscellaneous: Vicki read a thank you from Isabellah Legel who was awarded the FOL scholarship. Dave inquired whether there will be “down” time when the library moves. Gerard said the library may not be able to provide services for 1 to 2 weeks during this time.

V. Next meeting date: July 20 at 9am

VI. Adjournment at 10:35 am

Minutes prepared by Anne Werner and subject to correction/approval at the June 2026 meeting.