Woodward Public Library
Board Meeting Minutes
May 4, 2026

Attended by: Zane McGlade, David Brown, Myrna Griffith, Sandra Dickson, Peggy Nieland, Dave Elliott, Kathy Butler. Guests: Mary Bustad, Jim Gough.

Meeting was called to order at 5:03 pm.

Peggy moved for approval of the agenda, Kathy 2nd, motion passed.

Public Comments: Mary stated that once again, she is disappointed in the Library Board and believes we are crummy because, the Board had chosen to be fiscally sound and responsible for choosing Jeremy Wuebker and his lighting system over Mike Blaser's lighting system. She feels that the Library should have selected Blaser's lighting system that is a unit for each light fixture, costing $100 per unit, that needs to be replaced again in 10 years instead of Wuebker's system that is a change of wiring in the units to accommodate new light bulbs. When the bulbs are burned out it is a simple bulb replacement at less cost. She feels that the Board should have chosen Blaser's system because he has done much electrical work for the Library at no cost.

Kathy moved for approval of the minutes as amended (date was corrected), Sandra 2nd, motion passed.

After discussion, Peggy moved for approval of the bills, Kathy 2nd, motion passed.

Board Education was deleted for tonight.

Old Business – a) We will be purchasing a new door on the south side of the Library with Enrich Iowa Dollars and the City Council voted to allow us up to $3000, to make this possible; b) the Iowa bills concerning Public Libraries in Iowa died in the State Senate; c) Myrna provided information on the Bock Grant we received, going through each one and where the money went; d) Myrna provided information on the Myrna Mayfield Grant and how the money will be used.

New/Continuing Business – a) Mural work is being done in the front entryway; b) At the next City Council meeting Zane would like as many of the Board to be there as possible, we will be awarding Myrna for 10 years of service and will be taking pictures; c) May 14th we will be honoring our Library volunteers, Myrna has four people on the list; d) Myrna is returning the people counter we received in the mail as it seems to be used and has no manual with it and replacing it with a new one; e) our new Library Board Member has not been approved by the City Council yet; f) Sandra made the motion to nominate all current officers which we have presently for President, Vice President, Secretary and Foundation Liaison, Peggy 2nd, motion passed; g) for our Luncheon meals in June, July and August, the Board approved sloppy joes, potato salad and baked beans for June, a potato bar for July and a taco bar for August; we will be using the money received to cover our matching money for our grants and to help replace our classical books.

Director's Reports – a) Myrna will be in Winterset, Wednesday all day for a round table training and will be in Van Meter on the 18th from 9am to noon, for the Dallas County Librarian's meeting and attending webinar for ADA compliance website; on May 22nd someone is coming to talk about the Pappajohn Sculpture Garden; it will cost $50 to replace the keyboard for the digital sign, we will not be replacing it; the automatic front door is not working, trying to find someone to work on it; b) information provided; c) information provided.

Board members asked about the water fountain, Myrna got a phone number today and she will be calling about it.

Next meeting will be June 1st, 2026 at 5pm.

Kathy made the motion to adjourn at 5:45 pm, David 2nd, motion passed.

Kathy Butler Secretary
6/1/2026