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Library Board Meeting

AGENDA

November 20, 2025 - 6:00 PM

1. Call to order
2. Roll call
3. Approval of agenda
4. Minutes: Approve October 16, 2025 regular meeting
5. Public comment – *Total time not to exceed 30 minutes, 3 minutes per speaker*
6. Director's report: Drew Macaulay
7. Acceptance of expenditures and finance reports for the month of October
8. Board Calendar of Events
9. Committee reports
 - A. Art & Exhibitions – Brianna
 - B. Friends of the FPL – Kelly
 - C. Finance – Drew
 - D. Personnel – Erin
 - E. Schools – Meghan
 - F. Building - Erin
 - G. Strategic Planning - Brianna
11. Committee membership appointments as needed
12. Review action items
13. Announcements/comments from board members
14. Adjourn

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Proposed Minutes

October 16, 2025 - 6:00 PM

1. Call to order: Meeting called to order by Amanda Hanlin at 6:00 p.m.
2. Roll call: Meghan Evoy, Kelly Farrah, Brianna Foraker, Amanda Hanlin, Erin Hooper, Jonathan Ross, Kevin Yezbick.
Director Drew Macaulay and Assistant Director/Recording Secretary Krocket Hoekstra also present.
3. Approval of agenda
A MOTION BY Hooper and seconded by Farrah to approve the agenda as presented; passed unanimously.
4. Minutes: Approve September 18, 2025 regular meeting
A MOTION BY Foraker and seconded by Farrah to approve the September 18 meeting minutes as presented; passed unanimously.
5. Public comment – *Total time not to exceed 30 minutes, 3 minutes per speaker*
6. Director's report: Drew Macaulay
Macaulay shared that the building lights are now 83% converted to LED and that the library's electricity bill has been decreasing since the project began. Head of Adult Services Kelly Hovinga is the new chair of the TLN Adult Services Interest Group. Librarian Emma Clemons coordinated the creation of a new romance genre collection with the help of Technical Services Specialist Sam Randolph and many other staff members.
7. Acceptance of expenditures and finance reports for the month of September
A MOTION by Evoy and seconded by Ross to approve the finance reports for September 2025; passed unanimously.
8. Board Calendar of Events
9. Committee reports
 - A. Art & Exhibitions – Brianna- see written report
 - B. Friends of the FPL – Kelly- the Friends will meet next week, but the Dip-Off takes place a week from Saturday.
 - C. Finance – Drew- see written report
 - D. Personnel – Erin- see written report
 - E. Schools – Meghan- see written report
 - F. Building - Erin- see written report
 - G. Strategic Planning - Brianna- see written report
11. Committee membership appointments as needed
12. Review action items
Board members will send strategic plan questions and input by November 3rd

On November 4th, FADL partnered with the city to serve as an election polling site, and as usual, we had some patrons realizing that the library has something to offer them every day, not just when they vote. We made nine new adult cards during voting hours.

Policy Updates

All of our patron-facing public policies make reference to a Violations and Appeals Policy, but until this week it does not appear that we ever had one. Cricket took the lead in drafting the attached policy, which accurately reflect the appeals process described in our policies and in patron ban letters. We will integrate this policy into our public policies going forward.

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Director's Report -- 11/20/2025

Building Update

The transition from fluorescent lighting to LEDs throughout the building is now 100% complete. In addition to these updates, Diversified Electric has repaired and updated the emergency lighting, including the exit signs, in our main atrium and adjacent to the courtyard door, and installed a new pendant light over the self-checkout in youth. The increase in brightness throughout the building has been appreciated by the staff and patrons alike.

Issues impacting the doors in the west atrium have largely been resolved as the metal grate in the floor was repaired to lie flat and the lock bars and base locks in the external doors were replaced. The doors now open, close, and lock easily. We still want to rehang the doors at some point in the near future.

Staff Updates

Management has completed two rounds of interviews for the new full-time Circulation Specialist II role. The two final candidates are both current circulation specialists. It will be a very difficult decision but we were pleased with quality of the internal applications. The job offer will go out tomorrow with the goal of having the new role in place on December 8th.

Nine members of our staff attended the Michigan Library Association Annual Convention in Lansing the last week of October, including the four youth staff who presented on Ferndale Metis. It was a packed double conference room in the Lansing Center, and per MLA administrative staff, was the best attended break-out session of the conference. I was thrilled to see our youth librarians bring their hard work and vision to such a large gathering.

Circulation specialist Emily Mastick is expecting a baby girl in late December. The staff held an after-hours baby shower for Emily and her husband Sean, and Emily's last day in the building was 11/19. She does expect to return in the spring of 2026, and has promised us many photos of her daughter in the interim.

Community Engagement

FADL hosted trick or treating in partnership with the Ferndale DDA on October 25th. We handed out candy to 110 adults and 139 kids, it was a super fun day.

Drew will get parameters on what can be done at Strategic Plan Retreat to stay in compliance of the Open Meetings Act

13. Announcements/comments from board members

Farrah expressed appreciation to Foraker and Ross for their work on the Strategic Plan, and is excited to work with Jeff Milo and the Friends as well. She also suggested organizing the Board Google Drive once Strategic Planning is complete. Yezbick volunteered to take a look at the Drive. He also shared that Baker & Taylor, a long-standing library book supplier, has gone out of business, but that FADL has relationships with other suppliers in place. Yezbick recently heard that ALA has laid off staff, but that has not been verified yet. Foraker thanked everyone for the support in the Strategic Plan process.

14. Adjourn

A MOTION by Evoy and seconded by Hooper to adjourn at 7:19 pm; passed unanimously.

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Violation and Appeals Policy

The Library Director or the Library Director's designee may restrict access to Library facilities with immediate dismissal of the patron from the premises, by suspending the patron's access to Library facilities for a set period of time, or by denying access to specific services and/or programs for violations of Library policies. When necessary, the local police may be called to intervene.

A. Incident Reports. Library staff shall record in writing in the form of an Incident Report any violation of Policy that resulted in a verbal warning or a suspension of Library privileges. By the end of the day on which the incident occurred, an Incident Report shall be written and logged. The report should include physical descriptions in addition to the name of the patron, if possible. A copy of the suspension of privileges letter should be attached, if applicable.

B. Violation of the Policy – Suspension of Privileges. Even if the police have been called to intervene, the Library may still take action to suspend privilege for violations as follows:

1. Initial Violation: Library patrons observed violating Policy will be asked to cease the violation with a verbal request. If the patron does not comply with the request, they will be asked to leave the building for the day. If they refuse, the police may be called.
2. Subsequent Violations: The Library Director or the Library Director's designee may further limit or suspend the patron's Library privileges if infractions continue. Such limitation or revocation shall be in writing specifying the nature of the violation. Subsequent violations of the same rule shall result in additional suspensions of increasing length.

C. Reinstatement. If requested by the Director, the patron whose privileges have been limited or suspended shall attend a meeting with the Library Director or the Library Director's designee to review the Library Patron Behavior Policy before their privileges may be reinstated. The Library Director may impose conditions for the reinstatement.

D. Right of Appeal. Patrons may appeal (1) a decision to limit or suspend privileges or (2) the conditions placed on reinstatement by sending a written appeal to the Library Board within 10 business days of the date of the decision. The appeal should be sent to the President of the Library Board. The decision of the Library Board is final.

Library Statistics 2025														
CURRENT Month	Running Monthly AVG	Year to Date	Jan 2025	Feb 2025	Mar 2025	Apr 2025	May 2025	Jun 2025	Jul 2025	Aug 2025	Sep 2025	Oct 2025	Nov 2025	Dec 2025
Video Games	8	8	80	1	10	3	0	38	4	4	5	7	8	
Library of Things	0	4	37	9	3	0	0	7	6	2	4	6	0	
Overdrive Advantage Titles	36	66	662	57	57	73	62	50	66	79	72	110	36	
Total Items (less OD Adv)	853	778	7781	765	659	717	741	965	869	856	667	689	853	
Circulation by Media Type														
Adult Books	5976	7712	77117	13530	12661	6713	6327	6115	6351	6725	6662	6057	5976	
CDs	873	856	8562	973	807	969	867	807	856	816	794	800	873	
Audiobooks	80	82	821	86	67	77	70	84	79	81	98	99	80	
DVDs/Blu-rays	2617	2281	22807	2385	2189	2585	2358	2017	2110	2258	2180	2108	2617	
Magazines/Newspapers	113	134	1335	91	125	141	81	75	178	183	150	198	113	
Puzzles/Boardgames	405	412	4119	416	495	471	398	333	375	486	425	315	405	
Video Games	185	217	2169	243	176	256	211	217	248	241	238	154	185	
Library of Things	75	74	737	73	61	79	64	73	78	79	79	76	75	
Youth Items	6564	7480	74804	7573	7632	8188	6877	6459	7788	8109	7971	7643	6564	
Digital Circulation														
Overdrive Downloads	4230	4181	41805	4527	4088	4271	4066	4093	4082	4026	4236	4186	4230	
Overdrive Total Users	1045	1048	10484	1067	1067	1060	1029	1070	1040	1007	1045	1054	1045	
Overdrive New Users	29	60	596	82	67	75	55	55	53	53	54	73	29	
Kanopy Plays	957	810	8097	928	854	838	834	785	756	784	715	646	957	
Kanopy Total Users	240	216	2156	217	205	217	212	211	209	208	210	227	240	
Hoopla Downloads	1267	1233	12326	1235	1167	1265	1162	1254	1181	1302	1294	1199	1267	
Hoopla Total Users	463	449	4488	453	435	468	437	437	444	463	450	438	463	
Hoopla New Users	27	29	285	32	26	51	29	20	16	33	19	32	27	
Total Digital Checkouts	6454	5186	62228	6690	6109	6374	6062	6132	6019	6112	6245	6031	6454	0
Social Media														
Facebook New Followers	71	64	635	53	72	145	14	25	100	56	52	47	71	
TikTok Followers	6686	5805	58047	5490	5530	5530	5555	5580	5626	5721	5774	6555	6686	
IG New Followers	60	62	621	51	36	53	63	59	86	80	58	75	60	
Podcast Downloads	695	498	4980	240	235	445	520	230	450	465	200	1500	695	

October Adult Programs		Program	Type	Adults	Teens/Kids	Zoom	Total	
Date								
10/1/2025	Outreach Withington West	Outreach	6			6		
10/1/2025	Adult Take & Make - Pumpkin Magnets	Craft	19			19		
10/2/2025	First Draft Writer's Group	Recurring	8			8		
10/5/2025	Motor Om	Recurring	16			16		
10/7/2025	Romance Book Club	Book Club	17			17		
10/8/2025	Sci-Fi Book Club	Book Club	13		3	16		
10/9/2025	Model Drawing		18		1	19		
10/9/2025	james	Outreach	8			8		
10/11/2025	Upcycled Ghost Painting	Craft	27			27		
10/15/2025	Learn to Speak Dog	Presenter	29			29		
10/21/2025	Graphic Novel Book Club: Locke & Key	Book Club	12			12		
10/26/2025	Art Reception		45			45		
10/28/2025	Ferndale Project Book Club	Book Club	28			28		
10/31/2025	Horror Display	Display	43			43		
10/31/2025	One word display	Display	20			20		
Total	15, 2 outreach, 3 passive		309	1	3	313		
October Youth Programs								
10/1/2025	October Take-home Craft (buiton worm)	Take-home...	25		25		General	Passive program
10/1/2025	Fall Scavenger Hunt (10/1-10/4)	Scavenger...	14		1-13		General	Passive program
10/1/2025	Puppet Pen Pals (10/1-10/4)	One-time L...	0		12-30		General	Passive program
10/1/2025	Family Storytime	Early Liter...	11		12-22		6-11	E
10/2/2025	Middle Grade Tabletop RPG	Recurring ...	6		1-5		6-11	
10/3/2025	Baby Storytime	Early Liter...	5		1-9		0-5	E
10/5/2025	Fall Scavenger Hunt (10/5-10/11)	Scavenger...	22		1-21		General	Passive program
10/5/25	Puppet Pen Pals (10/5-10/11)	One-time L...	6		1-5		General	Passive program
10/6/2025	Outreach: Drayton	Outreach	27		1-26		0-5	Outreach; E
10/8/2025	Family Storytime	Early Liter...	7		1-15		0-5	E
10/9/2025	Outreach: UHS Library Visit	Outreach	1		1-18		12-18	Outreach; Teen
10/10/2025	Baby Storytime	Early Liter...	7		14		0-5	E
10/12/25	Fall Scavenger Hunt (10/12-10/18)	Scavenger...	13		13		General	Passive program
10/12/2025	Puppet Pen Pals (10/12-10/18)	One-time L...	12		1-11		General	Passive program
10/13/2025	Outreach: Drayton	Outreach	27		1-26		0-5	Outreach; E
10/13/2025	Outreach: FMS Rainbow Club	Outreach	3		41		6-11	Outreach
10/14/2025	Outreach: FECC Preschool Storytime	Outreach	25		6-3		0-5	Outreach; E
10/14/2025	Pokepals	One-time L...	13		13		6-11	
10/15/2025	Family Storytime	Early Liter...	10		1-22		0-5	E
10/16/2025	Outreach: TCEC	Outreach	10		1-15		12-18	Outreach; Teen 10 adults (parents/caregivers and teachers); 5 students; 1 sibl
10/16/2025	Middle Grade Tabletop RPG	Recurring ...	6		1-5		6-11	
10/17/2025	Baby Storytime	Early Liter...	12		1-25		0-5	E
10/19/2025	Fall Scavenger Hunt (10/19-10/25)	Scavenger...	14		14		General	Passive program
10/19/2025	Puppet Pen Pals (10/19-10/25)	One-time L...	2		1-1		General	Passive program
10/20/2025	Outreach: Drayton	Outreach	27		1-26		0-5	Outreach; E
10/21/2025	Super Smash Bros. Tournament	One-time L...	8		1-16		6-11	
10/22/2025	Spooky Teen RPG	One-time L...	4		1-3		12-18	Teen
10/26/2025	Fall Scavenger Hunt (10/26-10/31)	Scavenger...	7		7		General	Passive program
10/26/2025	Puppet Pen Pals (10/26-10/31)	One-time L...	4		4		General	Passive program
10/27/2025	Outreach: Drayton	Outreach	27		1-26		0-5	Outreach; E
10/28/2025	Reading Rainbow	Recurring ...	7		7		6-11	
10/29/2025	Outreach: Curriculum Support - Reading List/Rec	Outreach	1		0		6-11	Outreach 5 juvenile fiction/chapter books for 3rd-5th graders.
10/31/2025	October Display: Hispanic Heritage Month	Displays	14		14		General	Passive program
10/31/2025	October Display: Fossils	Displays	12		12		General	Passive program
10/31/2025	October Display: Spoooooooky Reads	Displays	10		10		12-18	Passive program; Teen
10/31/2025	October Display: LGBTQ History Month	Displays	9		9		General	Passive program
10/31/2025	October Display: Freedom to Read/Banned Book	Displays	9		9		General	Passive program
Total	24 Library Programs / 9 Outreach Programs		100	578	651			
October All Ages Programs								
10/25/2025	DDA Trick or Treating		110		249			
10/16/2025	Chess club		6		7			

DECEMBER YOUTH EVENTS



Storytimes:

Family Storytime —

*Wednesdays @ 10:30 am

— *Dec. 3, 10, 17

Join us for a variety of engaging stories and active songs for families with young children: ages 18 months - 4 years old.
fadl.org/family



Baby Storytime —

*Fridays @ 10:30 am

— *Dec. 5, 12, 19

Interactive songs and simple stories that nurture your baby's curiosity and fine motor skills. For families with children under 18 months old.
fadl.org/baby



Fall Scavenger Hunt in the Kids Corner!

Our Fern Forest friends are gathering school supplies this fall - can you help them spot every last one? Ask at the Youth desk to participate.



Kids/teens of all ages can participate! Everyone who completes our scavenger Hunt receives a commemorative prize

Recurring Programs



Dec. 4 & Dec. 18 - Middle Grade Tabletop RPG Group - 6:00 pm:

Middle school students can socialize and strategize while exploring new realms and going on imaginative adventures together! Sign up: fadl.org/rpg



December 11 - Middle School Board Game Club - 6:00 pm:

Middle school students can socialize with their peers, while also playing a unique variety of fun games together!
Sign up at: fadl.org/msbg



December 23 - Reading Rainbow w/Affirmations - 6:00 pm:

Kids in grades 4-8 can join us for a social hour that includes a book discussion, along with some craft time! Hosted in partnership with Affirmations! Find more info online at: fadl.org/reading-rainbow

Ongoing:



Story Trail at Martin Road Park

Located along the western edge of the park, starting at Woodward Hts and leading down to the Curling Club. More info at: fadl.org/story-trail



Monthly Take-Home Craft Kits

Available first-come/first-serve, at the start of each month, providing engaging craft activities to do at home for a variety of age groups

Preschool and Early Learning Fair

Co-Hosted by:

Ferndale Area District Library & Royal Oak Public Library

Tuesday, January 13

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM

Meet representatives from over 25 area preschools and child care providers
Get information and options to help plan for your child's future
No registration required

Royal Oak Farmers Market

316 E. Eleven Mile Rd, Royal Oak, MI 48067

Across Troy Street from the Royal Oak Public Library



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DECEMBER ADULT EVENTS



Dec. 2 - Romance Book Club - 6:30 pm:
Our Romance Book Club meets on the 1st Tuesday of each month at Urbanrest! In December, we'll discuss Wreck My Plans by Jillian Meadows. Sign up here: fadl.org/rbc



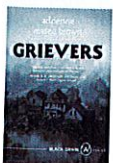
Dec. 3 - BOHO Winter Wreaths - 6:30 pm:
Celebrate the chilly season and brighten your space with DIY decor by making your own winter wreath! fadl.org/wreath



Dec. 4 - Writers' Group - 6:30 pm:
We call it the "Works-In-Pawgress" Writers' Group because we meet at the Ferndale Catfe, in their newly renovated lounge! Writing prompts, inspiration, networking & more! fadl.org/writers



Dec. 7 - Community Yoga - 12:00 pm:
Motor Om Yoga hosts a monthly community yoga class free and open to all skill levels, hosted in the library's program room, starting right after we open: fadl.org/yoga



Dec. 10 - Sci-Fi Book Club - 6:30 pm:
This club meets in-person AND via Zoom! Dive in to science fiction with us! In December, we'll discuss Grievors by Adrienne Marie Brown. Find more info and sign up at: fadl.org/sfbc



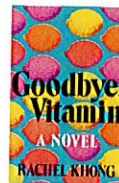
Dec. 12 - Movie Night! - 6:30 pm:
We had such a great time in September for our first after-hours movie night, that we're doing it again for the holiday season, watching another modern classic together in the library! Join us on Dec. 12, when we'll be watching Die Hard. There will be snacks (probably some twinkies, too) and pizza, plus engaging crafts for you & your friends to enjoy while watching the film! RSVP: fadl.org/movie



Dec. 14 - Concert ft. Marbrisa - 2:00 pm:
Our Songwriter Series is hosted on the 2nd Sunday of each month! Join us on Dec. 14, for an eclectic set from Detroit-based songwriter Marbrisa, bringing everything from Latin and jazz, to funk and folk! No registration required.



Dec. 16 - Graphic Novel Book Club - 6:30 pm:
Join us at Drifter Coffee (for a special after-hours event) where we'll discuss the graphic novel, The Princess and the Grilled Cheese Sandwich by Deya Muniz. Find more info and sign up at: fadl.org/gnbc



Dec. 18 - Ferndale Project Book Club - 6:30 pm:
Hang out in a brewery for a cool book club! We'll meet at Ferndale Project to discuss Goodbye Vitamin by Rachel Khong. We'll have copies available at the circulation desk! Registration required--find more info at: fadl.org/fpbc



Dec. 20 - Cookie Swap - 1:00 pm:
Just in time for holiday gatherings, it's our annual cookie swap! Bring in your best batch made from your favorite family recipes & network with fellow bakers! fadl.org/cookie



Dec. 21 - Board Game Club - 1:00 pm:
Board Game Club (for ages 18+) is designed to be a fun place for gamers of all skill levels to find a sense of community, enjoying a variety of games together in a cozy environment. fadl.org/game



Dec. 22 - Fiber Arts Club - 6:00 pm:
An evening for crafters to hangout and work on projects! Whether it's crochet, knitting, sewing, or needlepoint, you can bring your works in progress to the library on the 4th Monday of each month. No registration is required

MEMORANDUM

TO: Library Board of Directors
FROM: Library Director
DATE: 11/19/25
RE: Timelines and Considerations for the 2026 Millage Election

The purpose of this memo is to share with the Board information I gathered from a phone call with our library attorney Anne Seurnyck regarding how to prepare for our upcoming millage. Here is a breakdown of topics we discussed.

1. Timelines. Anne feels that our initial election date should be August 4, 2026. Going with August instead of May ensures that we are on the ballot during a primary, meaning that we will not have to pay the balloting fee (which would be likely with a May date), and voter turnout will be higher in August than in May. As our current millage runs through the June 30, 2027, we could have three attempts at a new millage if needed: on ballots in August 2026, November 2026, and May 2027.

Should the board resolve to be on the August 2026 ballot, Anne would like us to have proposed ballot question information to her by early January 2026. She would then draft the exact ballot language for the Board to adopt in March. Ballot language is due to the City in May.

2. Renewal versus increase. Anne explained to me that while our voted millage is 3.5 mills, we can only ask for a renewal at the rate of the current millage reduction factor with current Headlee rollback. That amount for us is 2.8204 mills. Any amount we ask for over that amount is a new additional millage, not a pure renewal.

3. Ballot question format. Per Anne, we can structure the ballot language as one or as two questions. Here are the options:

a. Straight renewal as one question: requesting that voters approve a renewal of 2.8204 mills.

b. Renewal plus operating increase in one question: we can request up to a half-mill increase in single question – renewal of 2.8204 mills plus an increase of .05 mills for a total of 3.3204 mills.

c. Renewal and operating increase in two questions: one ballot question for renewal of 2.8204 mills, one ballot question for the increase at the rate we determine.

d. Renewal and capital improvement increase in two questions: one ballot question for renewal, one ballot question for a capital improvement millage at the rate we determine.

4. Next steps. Anne provided us a memo, attached hereto, that we will need to complete and return to her in late in December or early January so that she can draft language for the Board to adopt.

MEMO

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ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE

TO:

Ferndale Area District Library

FROM:

Anne Seuryneck

DATE:

November 3, 2025

RE:

Millage Memo 2026

Please find below the information that we will need to draft ballot language on behalf of the Library:

1. The amount that the Library will request in mills:

2. The amount of money in taxable value the millage will raise in the first year it is levied. Also, please provide the total taxable value (please include the most recent L-4029 form for the taxing authority) for the Library:

3. The purpose of the millage:

4. The duration of the millage in years:

5. The first year that the Library desires to levy the millage. So, please let us know when you levy your millage (July/December/both):

6. Any other entities that may capture (if the Library signs an Agreement allowing for the capture) a portion of the Library's millage (i.e. Downtown Development Authorities, Local Development Finance Authorities, Renaissance Zones, etc.):

7. Does a Brownfield Redevelopment Authority capture any taxes?
8. Do you have any service contracts that require you to pay all or a significant portion of the millage to another entity? If so, what entity and what are the terms of the contract? Will the contract last the entire duration of the millage?
9. Whether this is a new millage or a renewal of an existing millage (or both). If it is a renewal or renewal in part, please provide the amount and year that the Library last levied the millage and attach a copy of the old ballot proposal:
10. Please identify the municipalities that are “participating municipalities” in your district (if you are a district library):
11. Please identify the date of the election you are planning on and the date of the meeting at which you would like to approve the ballot language:
12. Please identify the County or Counties in which the Library is located:

Please fax or e-mail (aseurynck@fosterswift.com) the responses to the questions to our office. My direct fax number is (517) 367-7196.

Carefully read the instructions on page 2

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2025 Taxable Value of All Properties in the Unit as of 5-27-2025

1,000,401,650

For LOCAL School Districts: 2025 Taxable Value excluding Principal Residence, Qualified Agricultural, Qualified Forest, Industrial

Personal and Commercial Properties if a millage is levied against them.

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(9) Maximum Allowable Levy	(10) Millage Requested to be Levied July 1	(11) Millage Requested to be Levied Dec. 1	(12) Expiration Date of Millage Authorized
0.7414	0.0000		N/A
0.7724	0.0000		6/30/2027
2.8204	2.8100		6/30/2027

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Date:

Local School District Use Only. Complete if requesting millage to be levied. See STC Bulletin 2 of 2025 for

- | Rate | Total School District Operating Rates to be Levied (HH/Supp and NH Oper ONLY) |
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| 30.25 | |
| 1.75 | |

For Commercial	
For Personal	
For all Other	

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	99	100	101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109	110	111	112	113	114	115	116	117	118	119	120	121	122	123	124	125	126	127	128	129	130	131	132	133	134	135	136	137	138	139	140	141	142	143	144	145	146	147	148	149	150	151	152	153	154	155	156	157	158	159	160	161	162	163	164	165	166	167	168	169	170	171	172	173	174	175	176	177	178	179	180	181	182	183	184	185	186	187	188	189	190	191	192	193	194	195	196	197	198	199	200	201	202	203	204	205	206	207	208	209	210	211	212	213	214	215	216	217	218	219	220	221	222	223	224	225	226	227	228	229	230	231	232	233	234	235	236	237	238	239	240	241	242	243	244	245	246	247	248	249	250	251	252	253	254	255	256	257	258	259	260	261	262	263	264	265	266	267	268	269	270	271	272	273	274	275	276	277	278	279	280	281	282	283	284	285	286	287	288	289	290	291	292	293	294	295	296	297	298	299	300	301	302	303	304	305	306	307	308	309	310	311	312	313	314	315	316	317	318	319	320	321	322	323	324	325	326	327	328	329	330	331	332	333	334	335	336	337	338	339	340	341	342	343	344	345	346	347	348	349	350	351	352	353	354	355	356	357	358	359	360	361	362	363	364	365	366	367	368	369	370	371	372	373	374	375	376	377	378	379	380	381	382	383	384	385	386	387	388	389	390	391	392	393	394	395	396	397	398	399	400	401	402	403	404	405	406	407	408	409	410	411	412	413	414	415	416	417	418	419	420	421	422	423	424	425	426	427	428	429	430	431	432	433	434	435	436	437	438	439	440	441	442	443	444	445	446	447	448	449	450	451	452	453	454	455	456	457	458	459	460	461	462	463	464	465	466
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STATEMENT OF VOTES

FERNDALE AREA DISTRICT LIBRARY

The whole number of votes given for and against the	Put figures in this column			
<u>Library Millage Proposal</u> Shall the Ferndale Area District Library, County of Oakland, Michigan, be authorized to levy a new additional millage in an amount not to exceed 3.50 mills (\$3.50 on each \$1,000 of taxable value) against all taxable property within the Ferndale Area District Library district for a period of ten (10) years, 2017 to 2026, inclusive, for the purpose of providing funds for all district library purposes authorized by law? The estimate of the revenue the District Library will collect if the millage is approved and levied by the District Library in the 2017 calendar year is approximately \$1,799,000. A portion of the revenue collected may be required to be distributed to the City of Ferndale Downtown Development Authority and the City of Ferndale Brownfield Redevelopment Authority.				
was Three thousand six hundred	3	6	0	0
of which number Two thousand three hundred forty	2	3	4	0
votes were marked YES				
and One thousand two hundred sixty	1	2	6	0
votes were marked NO				
TOTAL VOTES	3	6	0	0

Balance Sheet

Ferndale Area District Library
As of October 31, 2025

OCT 31, 2025

Assets

Current Assets

Cash and Cash Equivalents

Capital Projects Account	182,206.00
General Account	2,292,516.36
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	2,474,722.36

Accounts Receivable	49.00
Prepaid Expenses	7,172.02
Total Current Assets	2,481,943.38

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Liabilities and Equity

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable	25,352.05
Manual AP	13,782.08
Wages Payable	26,737.13
Total Current Liabilities	65,871.26

Total Liabilities	65,871.26
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Equity

Current Year Earnings	1,657,923.80
Retained Earnings	758,148.32
Total Equity	2,416,072.12

Total Liabilities and Equity	2,481,943.38
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Income Statement (Profit and Loss)

Ferndale Area District Library

For the month ended October 31, 2025

	OCT 2025	OCT 2024	OCT 2023
Income			
404.000 - Voted Property Taxes	64,263.48	79,590.66	26,846.40
404.001 - Voted Property Taxes - Personal	-	39,952.71	41,374.24
607.000 - Fees for Services	125.00	25.00	-
627.000 - Charge for Services	1,155.08	515.39	899.59
645.000 - Print Sales & Copies	1,308.45	584.80	1,389.15
660.000 - Fines & Forfeitures	79.07	4.00	145.59
675.001 - Individual Donations & Honorariums	73.43	61.00	130.98
693.000 - Sale of Property	105.00	43.00	103.34
Total Income	67,109.51	120,776.56	70,889.29
Gross Profit	67,109.51	120,776.56	70,889.29
Operating Expenses			
706.001 - Salaries - Full-time	53,355.82	76,833.70	49,738.96
706.002 - Salaries - Part-time	17,980.75	22,951.02	13,490.13
706.003 - Salaries - Subs	3,058.12	3,219.20	1,694.14
715.001 - Social Security - Employee	8,867.96	8,426.00	2,566.93
715.002 - Social Security - Employer	8,868.05	8,426.01	2,566.91
716.100 - Health Insurance	11,647.22	10,311.32	7,974.74
717.000 - Life Insurance - EE	713.74	688.06	648.01
718.000 - Pension- ICMA-RC 401	5,288.00	8,324.12	6,114.95
720.001 - Medicare - Employee	2,073.94	1,970.65	600.30
720.002 - Medicare - Employer	2,073.95	1,970.61	600.34
721.001 - Federal Income Tax - Employee	9,549.15	9,776.54	3,031.44
722.001 - MI Income Tax - Employee	5,539.71	5,135.24	1,475.15
722.002 - MI Unemployment - Employer	-	-	1,980.00
723.001 - Local Income Tax - Employee	507.55	154.26	48.91
730.000 - Postage, Mail Processing	-	735.11	-
740.000 - Operating Supplies	1,236.67	1,680.14	2,829.59
742.000 - Books	5,179.02	6,172.96	7,119.95
743.000 - Periodicals	35.00	390.03	910.97
745.000 - Audio-Visual, Video	2,050.64	1,752.00	2,294.87
746.000 - Other Non Book	3,949.88	4,703.30	7,779.95
748.000 - Materials Processing Supplies	319.76	322.29	1,118.79
775.000 - Repair & Maintenance	1,582.50	5,950.00	3,321.77
803.000 - The Library Network	-	19,944.85	19,456.28
818.000 - Contractual Services	14,701.72	3,345.90	17,577.97
853.000 - Phone/Communications	-	534.54	537.57

Income Statement (Profit and Loss)

	OCT 2025	OCT 2024	OCT 2023
885.000 - Special Programs	4,540.33	1,060.91	1,420.13
900.000 - Printing & Publishing	450.00	6,121.03	361.29
914.000 - Liability Insurance	-	-	(1,320.00)
920.000 - Utilities	2,492.43	2,550.81	2,273.93
931.000 - Facilities Maintenance	4,076.83	3,731.55	2,510.50
943.000 - Equipment Rental Alloc.- General Fund Motor Pool	1,433.84	731.33	624.36
956.000 - Miscellaneous	87.00	260.53	87.00
957.000 - Training/Education	3,524.88	5,973.72	6,900.36
958.000 - Memberships & Dues	1,030.40	1,036.69	367.76
970.000 - County Delinquent Tax Chargeback	-	-	950.00
977.000 - Capital Outlay	15,213.66	51,305.76	17,996.50
996.000 - Interest Expense	-	22,300.00	27,475.00
Total Operating Expenses	191,428.52	298,790.18	215,125.45
Operating Income	(124,319.01)	(178,013.62)	(144,236.16)
Net Income	(124,319.01)	(178,013.62)	(144,236.16)

Income Statement (Profit and Loss)

Ferndale Area District Library

For the month ended October 31, 2025

	OCT 2025	SEP 2025	AUG 2025	JUL 2025	JUN 2025	MAY 2025	APR 2025	YEAR TO DATE
Income								
404,000 - Voted Property Taxes	64,263.48	75,111.75	2,171,837.75	151,854.71	(21,713.69)	-	64.13	2,463,067.69
567,000 - Library State Aid	-	-	-	10,557.22	-	-	-	10,557.22
607,000 - Fees for Services	125.00	-	25.00	50.00	-	1,275.00	-	200.00
627,000 - Charge for Services	1,155.08	451.25	994.18	724.06	939.26	432.65	714.05	3,324.57
645,000 - Print Sales & Copies	1,308.45	562.20	1,125.55	1,060.05	1,391.65	748.45	791.55	4,056.25
656,000 - Other Fees & Fines	-	-	28,600.97	-	-	-	-	28,600.97
660,000 - Fines & Forfeitures	79.07	15.00	131.99	90.58	166.30	77.15	32.00	316.64
675,000 - Contributions	-	-	-	-	370.40	-	-	-
675,001 - Individual Donations & Honorariums	73.43	6.95	46.35	127.00	1.49	33.00	17.00	253.73
693,000 - Sale of Property	105.00	45.00	43.00	27.00	164.97	1,997.78	53.00	220.00
699,401 - Contributions from Capital Fund	-	-	-	-	235,000.00	-	-	-
Total Income	67,109.51	76,192.15	2,202,804.79	164,490.62	216,320.38	4,564.03	1,671.73	2,510,597.07
Gross Profit	67,109.51	76,192.15	2,202,804.79	164,490.62	216,320.38	4,564.03	1,671.73	2,510,597.07
Operating Expenses								
706,001 - Salaries - Full-time	53,355.82	78,746.84	63,218.22	51,748.83	50,757.76	51,336.07	75,268.32	247,069.71
706,002 - Salaries - Part-time	17,980.75	23,279.73	20,192.21	16,445.71	16,196.84	15,881.74	24,144.11	77,898.40
706,003 - Salaries - Subs	3,058.12	4,257.75	2,897.36	3,043.73	3,203.33	3,504.26	5,072.87	13,256.96
715,001 - Social Security - Employee	8,867.96	5,840.37	7,160.88	5,813.75	5,638.95	5,677.40	8,349.17	27,682.96
715,002 - Social Security - Employer	8,868.05	5,840.39	7,160.81	5,813.79	5,639.00	5,677.38	8,349.13	27,683.04
716,100 - Health Insurance	11,647.22	11,647.14	14,399.98	13,286.29	10,607.06	10,509.51	9,968.22	50,980.63
717,000 - Life Insurance - EE	713.74	713.74	733.25	39.02	1,349.67	635.93	635.93	2,199.75
718,000 - Pension - ICMA-RC 401	5,288.00	5,277.01	8,474.94	5,210.36	5,120.17	4,975.94	4,826.52	24,250.31
720,001 - Medicare - Employee	2,073.94	1,365.95	1,674.71	1,359.62	1,318.80	1,327.78	1,952.61	6,474.22

Income Statement (Profit and Loss)

	OCT 2025	SEP 2025	AUG 2025	JUL 2025	JUN 2025	MAY 2025	APR 2025	YEAR TO DATE
720.002 - Medicare - Employer	2,073.95	1,365.88	1,674.65	1,359.66	1,318.79	1,327.78	1,952.58	6,474.14
721.001 - Federal Income Tax - Employee	9,549.15	6,290.70	9,989.75	6,409.31	5,733.52	5,833.99	8,641.72	32,238.91
722.001 - MI Income Tax - Employee	5,539.71	3,629.92	4,488.97	3,579.92	3,431.99	3,479.03	5,131.60	17,238.52
723.001 - Local Income Tax - Employee	507.55	352.96	416.88	303.14	247.18	247.18	295.44	1,580.53
725.000 - Workers Compensation	-	-	-	1,450.00	-	-	-	1,450.00
730.000 - Postage, Mail Processing	-	2,516.99	2,603.31	-	27.99	2,276.06	-	5,120.30
740.000 - Operating Supplies	1,236.67	5,488.75	4,273.78	2,767.38	3,101.15	2,011.84	2,301.83	13,766.58
742.000 - Books	5,179.02	6,149.70	5,473.54	8,643.05	12,783.36	5,493.87	13,498.00	25,445.31
743.000 - Periodicals	35.00	35.00	2,335.74	425.03	896.52	35.00	425.03	2,830.77
745.000 - Audio-Visual, Video	2,050.64	3,380.35	1,703.08	2,066.04	4,839.57	1,574.03	543.63	9,200.11
746.000 - Other Non Book	3,949.88	14,843.24	11,973.80	7,329.20	3,423.46	8,687.72	6,052.57	38,096.12
748.000 - Materials Processing Supplies	319.76	-	318.49	262.99	209.89	504.31	679.05	901.24
775.000 - Repair & Maintenance	1,582.50	783.90	1,599.29	2,090.91	8,581.68	6,796.67	8,325.37	6,056.60
803.000 - The Library Network	-	-	-	10,063.77	2,685.99	-	9,986.11	10,063.77
818.000 - Contractual Services	14,701.72	15,299.85	740.48	3,174.96	6,106.73	3,931.85	3,898.55	33,917.01
853.000 - Phone/Communications	-	1,068.02	534.01	534.24	-	534.23	534.96	2,136.27
885.000 - Special Programs	4,540.33	2,913.91	851.62	7,001.20	8,474.28	523.16	3,816.15	15,307.06
900.000 - Printing & Publishing	450.00	7,020.92	9.00	3,243.19	-	6,148.72	-	10,723.11
914.000 - Liability Insurance	-	-	(1,407.00)	18,190.00	-	-	-	16,783.00
920.000 - Utilities	2,492.43	3,039.17	4,057.41	3,433.95	2,885.50	3,913.29	3,117.56	13,022.96
931.000 - Facilities Maintenance	4,076.83	5,958.78	10,938.75	6,888.46	1,050.00	209.11	66.55	27,862.82
943.000 - Equipment Rental Alloc- General Fund Motor Pool	1,433.84	-	1,265.47	1,715.10	-	951.45	799.24	4,414.41
956.000 - Miscellaneous	87.00	87.00	87.00	59.50	(114.03)	77.70	73.25	320.50
957.000 - Training/Education	3,524.88	576.15	1,993.90	221.78	315.00	38.73	690.47	6,316.71
958.000 - Memberships & Dues	1,030.40	678.79	1,018.18	718.19	731.43	1,822.87	1,410.00	3,445.56
965.101 - Contributions to General Fund	-	-	-	-	235,000.00	-	-	-
977.000 - Capital Outlay	15,213.66	-	29,989.32	10,162.00	10,089.96	2,326.41	4,149.00	55,364.98
992.000 - Debt Svc- Principal	-	-	-	-	-	360,000.00	-	-

Income Statement (Profit and Loss)

	OCT 2025	SEP 2025	AUG 2025	JUL 2025	JUN 2025	MAY 2025	APR 2025	YEAR TO DATE
996,000 - Interest Expense	-	15,100.00	-	-	-	22,300.00	-	15,100.00
Total Operating Expenses	191,428.52	233,548.90	222,841.78	204,854.07	411,651.54	540,571.01	214,955.54	852,673.27
Operating Income	(124,319.01)	(157,356.75)	1,979,963.01	(40,363.45)	(195,331.16)	(536,006.98)	(213,283.81)	1,657,923.80
Net Income	(124,319.01)	(157,356.75)	1,979,963.01	(40,363.45)	(195,331.16)	(536,006.98)	(213,283.81)	1,657,923.80

**FY 2026 Budget
Ferndale Area District Library**

General Fund - 101

Revenue

101-271-404.000 - Voted Property Taxes
101-271-404.001 - Voted Property Taxes - Personal
101-271-567.000 - Library State Aid
101-271-581.000 - Grants
101-271-607.000 - Fees for Services
101-271-627.000 - Charge for Services
101-271-645.000 - Print Sales & Copies
101-271-656.000 - Other Fees & Fines
101-271-660.000 - Fines & Forfeitures
101-271-675.001 - Individual Donations & Honorariums
101-271-675.002 - Contributions from Library Friends
101-271-675.003 - Special Event Proceeds
101-271-675.004 - Library Board Fundraising
101-271-693.000 - Sale of Property
101-271-695.000 - Miscellaneous Income
101-271-699.401 - Contributions from Capital Fund
Total Revenue

October 2025

\$ 64,263.48
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\$ -
\$ -
\$ 125.00
\$ 1,155.08
\$ 1,308.45
\$ -
\$ 79.07
\$ 73.43
\$ -
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\$ -
\$ 105.00
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\$ -
\$ 67,109.51

**FY 2026
YTD as of
10/31/2025**

\$ 2,463,067.69
\$ -
\$ 10,557.22
\$ -
\$ 200.00
\$ 3,324.57
\$ 4,056.25
\$ 28,600.97
\$ 316.64
\$ 253.73
\$ -
\$ -
\$ -
\$ 220.00
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\$ 2,510,597.07

**FY 2026
Budget Approved
5/22/2025**

\$ 2,732,622.00
\$ 42,000.00
\$ 20,250.00
\$ -
\$ 1,250.00
\$ 7,000.00
\$ 10,000.00
\$ 26,500.00
\$ 1,000.00
\$ 1,500.00
\$ 5,000.00
\$ -
\$ 300.00
\$ 3,000.00
\$ 6,000.00
\$ 55,000.00
\$ 2,911,422.00

General Fund - 101

Expenses

101-271-706.001 - Salaries - Full-time
101-271-706.002 - Salaries - Part-time
101-271-706.003 - Salaries - Subs
101-271-715.001 - Social Security - Employee
101-271-715.002 - Social Security - Employer
101-271-716.100 - Health Insurance
101-271-717.000 - Life Insurance - EE
101-271-718.000 - Pension- ICMA-RC 401
101-271-720.001 - Medicare - Employee
101-271-720.002 - Medicare - Employer
101-271-721.001 - Federal Income Tax - Employee
101-271-722.001 - MI Income Tax - Employee
101-271-722.002 - MI Unemployment - Employer
101-271-723.001 - Local Income Tax - Employee
101-271-725.000 - Workers Compensation
101-271-730.000 - Postage, Mail Processing
101-271-740.000 - Operating Supplies
101-271-742.000 - Books
101-271-743.000 - Periodicals
101-271-745.000 - Audio-Visual, Video
101-271-746.000 - Other Non Book
101-271-748.000 - Materials Processing Supplies
101-271-775.000 - Repair & Maintenance
101-271-802.000 - Audit/Actuarial Fees
101-271-803.000 - The Library Network
101-271-818.000 - Contractual Services
101-271-853.000 - Phone/Communications
101-271-885.000 - Special Programs

October 2025

\$ (53,355.82)
\$ (17,980.75)
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**FY 2026
YTD as of
10/31/2025**

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\$ (77,898.40)
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\$ (33,917.01)
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**FY 2026
Budget Approved
5/22/2025**

\$ (750,000.00)
\$ (218,000.00)
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\$ (7,000.00)
\$ (38,000.00)

General Fund - 101	October 2025	FY 2026 YTD as of 10/31/2025	FY 2026 Budget Approved 5/22/2025
101-271-900.000 - Printing & Publishing	\$ (450.00)	\$ (10,723.11)	\$ (29,120.00)
101-271-914.000 - Liability Insurance	\$ -	\$ (16,783.00)	\$ (18,500.00)
101-271-920.000 - Utilities	\$ (2,492.43)	\$ (13,022.96)	\$ (45,000.00)
101-271-931.000 - Facilities Maintenance	\$ (4,076.83)	\$ (27,862.82)	\$ (53,800.00)
101-271-943.000 - Equipment Rental	\$ (1,433.84)	\$ (4,414.41)	\$ (9,800.00)
101-271-956.000 - Miscellaneous	\$ (87.00)	\$ (320.50)	\$ (2,060.00)
101-271-957.000 - Training/Education	\$ (3,524.88)	\$ (6,316.71)	\$ (25,000.00)
101-271-958.000 - Memberships & Dues	\$ (1,030.40)	\$ (3,445.56)	\$ (13,650.00)
101-271-960.000 - County Delinquent Tax Chargeback	\$ -	\$ -	
101-271-965.401 - Contributions to Capital Fund	\$ -	\$ -	
101-271-977.000 - Capital Outlay	\$ (15,213.66)	\$ (55,364.98)	\$ (50,000.00)
101-271-992.000 - Debt Svc- Principal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (375,000.00)
101-271-994.000 - Interest Expense	\$ -	\$ (15,100.00)	\$ (30,200.00)
Total Expenses	\$ (191,428.44)	\$ (852,673.27)	\$ (2,764,095.00)
Net Income / (Loss):	\$ (124,318.93)	\$ 1,657,923.80	\$ 147,327.00
Fund Balance Change:		\$ 1,657,923.80	\$ 147,327.00
Fund Balance at the Beginning of the FY:		\$ 435,069.69	\$ 435,069.69
Fund Balance at the End of the FY:		\$ 2,092,993.49	\$ 582,396.69
		76% Fund Balance	

**FY 2026 Budget
Ferndale Area District Library**

		FY 2026 YTD as of 10/31/25	FY 2026 Budget Approved 5/22/2025
Capital Projects Fund - 401	October 2025		

Revenue					
401-271-699, 101 - Contributions from General Fund		\$0.00		\$0.00	\$ -
Total Revenue		\$0.00		\$0.00	\$0.00

		FY 2026 YTD as of 10/31/2025	FY 2026 Budget Approved 5/22/2025
Capital Projects Fund - 401	October 2025		

Expenses					
401-271-965, 101 - Contributions to General Fund		\$0.00		\$0.00	\$55,000.00
401-271-977 - Capital Outlay		\$0.00	\$ -		\$0.00
Total Expenses		\$0.00		\$0.00	\$55,000.00

Capital Fund Balance Change: \$0.00 \$0.00 \$55,000.00

Capital Fund Balance at the Beginning of the FY: \$182,206.00 \$182,206.00

Capital Fund Balance at the End of the FY: \$127,206.00

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Drew Macaulay
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2025 Board Calendar of Events

January:

- *Mid-Year Budget Amendments
- *Board Offices and Committee Chairs

February:

- *Due: Feb. 1st, Annual State Library Survey – Complete and submitted
- *FY 2026 budget process begins

March:

- *Strategic Planning – Quarterly Review
- *FY 2026 budget process continues – board input

April:

- *FY 2026 draft budget presented to board
- *Publish in a newspaper the notice for the May Budget Hearing (required 10 days before the date of hearing)

May:

- *FY 2026 Budget Hearing

June:

- *Due: L-4029 signed millage tax rate form to Oakland County & City of Ferndale
- *Final budget amendments for FY 2025
- *Approve renewal of Library General Property & Liability Insurance policy for FY 2026
- *Strategic Planning – Quarterly Review

July:

- *Begin new FY 2026
- *No Library Board Meeting

September:

- *Strategic Planning – Quarterly Review

October:

- *Conduct the annual library financial audit
- *MLA Annual Conference (Lansing) October 29-31
- *Personnel Committee gives Board and Director review of how Director evaluation works

November:

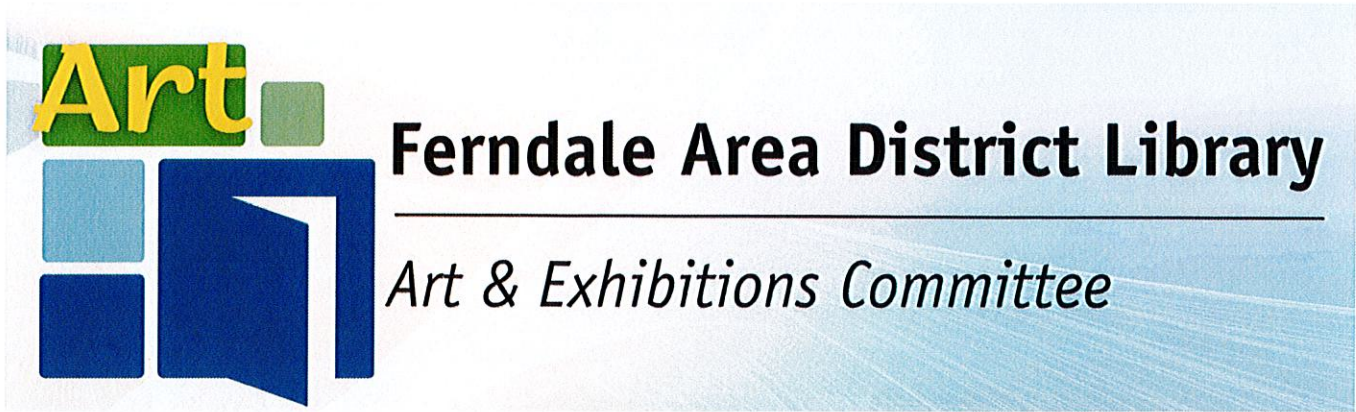
- *Library Director Personnel Review – Director submits self-evaluation
- *Election Day November 4
- *Plan calendar of meeting dates for 2026 calendar year

December:

- *Board meeting December 11 due to holidays
- *Presentation of library audit
- *Due: Audit must be filed with the State of Michigan by December 31
- *Due: Annual continuing disclosure paperwork for the library bond must be filed by December 31
- *Due S&P Global Ratings annual bond/audit filing response
- *Strategic Planning – Quarterly Review
- *Library Director Personnel Review – Library Board completes Director evaluation forms

January 2026

- *Director's Annual Evaluation – Closed Session



November 2025 Arts & Exhibitions Committee Board Report

FADL Arts & Exhibition Committee Members:

Jeff Milo, FADL Marketing Coordinator
Eileen Toro, Community Member
Michelle Ouellette, Community Member
Ernest Fackler, Community Member
Brianna Foraker, FADL Board Liaison

General	The Arts & Exhibitions Committee met this past weekend to discuss a few exciting ongoing/upcoming opportunities that we will be supporting: Ferndale Library Photo Contest Going on Chopped Culinary Arts Contest- January Ferndale Library Card Contest- Launching in January
Current Exhibit	Autumn Art Group Show on display through November 30th
Upcoming Exhibits	December - No Exhibit January-February- Justin Bean- Abstract Painting - January 11 Installation / Reception on January 25 March-April- Articipate Group Show - March 8 Installation / Reception on March 22
Display Case Exhibits	Now - December 31: Natalia Sanchez's Storybook Art

**Friends of the Ferndale Library (FFL)
Liaison (Kelly Farrah) Report for 11/20/2025 FADL Board Meeting**



FFL October 20, 2025 Meeting Highlights:

The Friends continue to grow with membership at 210.

Staff Liaison Pietro O'Rourke reported the Bookstore September totals of \$586 and FFL Treasurer Simon Cohen reported the Friends fundraised approximately \$1,200 (including the Bookstore numbers.)

It went really well for the Friend at the Ferndale Fall Festival – they ran out of giveaways and refreshments.

The Dip-Off had 17 RSVPs as contestants, and 25 attendees. Prizes for the upcoming event on 10/25 were donated by Still Life Ceramics.

Still seeking a graphic artist for design help on the new T-shirts.

Friend Lauren Ridenour has been working hard on securing staff suggested gifts for the library for the annual Giftmas.

Bookstore Co-Chair June Axelrad has asked the Friends to sponsor a volunteer appreciation event or gifts. Kevin Deegan-Krause was in attendance to ask about the Friends accepting a large Sci-Fi donation from the Huntington Woods Public Library.

FFL November 17, 2025 Meeting Highlights:

Staff Liaison Pietro O'Rourke and FFL Treasurer Simon Cohen reported that in October the Friends fundraised approximately \$1,400, including Bookstore numbers of \$758.48!

The new T-shirts will likely be ready by the end of November and will feature 2 colors: pink with a black design and black with a white design.

The Friends table at the Ferndale Jingle Mingle was a success, selling a swag amount of \$150+. (also see below)

Upcoming Events:

Jolabokaflod: This event is where people nominate someone they would like to give a book to. This year it will be open for submission 12/3-12/13 with a winner selected on 12/13.

Giftmas: Lauren is finishing the purchase of the staff recommended gifts for the library. They will be given to the library during the 12 days of Giftmas. The gifts will be featured in Friends' social media postings.

Strategic Planning: The Friends will graciously be donating 3 gift boxes/bags for the community engagement sessions (3). The link for the patron survey was featured in their recent newsletter, and at the Jingle Mingle, they collected 150 patron surveys! Speaking for the Strategic Planning Committee, we are grateful for their support of the strategic planning process and amazing job on the patron surveys.

Reminder: Check out the FFL Facebook and Instagram sites and Website for information on upcoming Friends events. The Friends continue to waive any fees or dues to join and become a member. Just go to their website: ferndalefriends.org and click on "Get Involved." This is a wonderful way to support the library and the library's mission in the community. And they are always looking for active Friends to attend meetings and become more involved.

School Outreach Report- Everett Pine, Head of Youth Services

• **Back to school outreach**

- 10/16 Tri County Education Center (TCEC) (Everett P.)
 - I made some great connections with community members and teachers at TCEC - one of which is interested in setting up library tours for their class.
 - Engaged with 10 adults (parents/caregivers and teachers); 5 students; 1 sibling. 5 other organizations.
- Correction from a previous update:
 - 9/5 FUEL Curriculum Night (**Julia H.** and Mary Grahame H.)

• **School year outreach**

- Drayton outreach (Youth staff) - we provide weekly curriculum support through readers' advisory. This partnership has been going on for 6+ years.
- Monthly FECC Preschool storytime (Damon V.)
 - 11/11, 120 kids and 14 adults.
- Monthly FMS Rainbow Club (Mary Grahame H.)
 - 11/10 - biggest yet: 36 middle schoolers; maxing out the capacity of the new room.
- **Curriculum support**
 - Reading List/Recommendation request: 5 juvenile fiction/chapter books for 3rd-5th graders. (Erin L.)

• **Upcoming School outreach**

- Battle of the Books planning is underway - kickoff will be Dec. 10

Strategic Planning Committee

November 25 Report

Committee Members: Brianna Foraker, Jonathan Ross, Kelly Farah, Jeff Milo, Drew Macaulay, Mary Grahame Hunter, Caius Schneider, Michelle Williamson, Shantel Denton, Denise Cote, Savannah Camplin

- The committee has met almost weekly since the last board meeting to iron out our plan and get going on the patron survey (see attached proposal).
 - We are hoping to get formal approval for the plan tonight
- We had 4 staff representatives join the committee: Mary Grahame Hunter (Youth), Caius Schneider (Circulation), Michelle Williamson (Adult Services), Shantel Denton (Circulation)
 - And two members of the Friends: Savannah Camplin and Denise Cote
- We've launched the patron survey which went live last week at the Ferndale Senior group meeting, has been posted on the FADL website/ social media, and promoted at Jingle & Mingle last weekend where we received over 150 surveys.
- We have scheduled 2 of the 3 community engagement sessions for next year.
- We're currently working on the agenda and structure for the community engagement sessions and the board/staff retreat.
- Brianna completed a 3 week DIY Strategic Planning training and materials have been added to the Board Drive.
- We will meet again on December 3rd to work on finalizing the proposal along with a potential budget and work towards finalizing a staff and patron survey.

Proposed Timeline:

October

- Committee creates Draft Timeline & Plan Proposal
- Receive initial Board feedback on the planning process
- Receive initial Department Head feedback on the planning process
- Committee begins meeting with staff representatives & Friends representatives for feedback on the planning process
- Begin designing Patron & Staff Survey
 - Solicit Committee & Dept Head feedback
- Finalize Patron Survey

November

- Finalize Budget Proposal
- Board approves Timeline & Plan & Budget
- Committee continues preparation & planning
- Start confirming community engagement sessions
- Finalize Staff Survey
- Begin Patron survey distribution and promotion
 - November 12th

December

- Begin Circulation of Staff Survey
- Finalize community engagement session confirmations

January

- Begin gathering Demographic Information & other data
- 1st stakeholder engagement session: January 12, FPS
- Close Patron Survey January 17th
- Begin analyzing feedback

February

- 2nd Stakeholder engagement session: Ferndale Seniors Group (ideally February 11)

March

- 3rd Stakeholder engagement session- March 4 at Urbanrest
- Generate a learning report from survey & engagement session feedback
- Strategic Planning Retreat
- Finalize strategic plan

April

- Board Adopts Strategic Plan at April Meeting

Methods of gathering feedback:

- Community
 - Patron survey- promoted via PageTurner, local newsletters, FADL website, QR code flyers & bookmarks, physical copies at the library & local businesses, paid media: Oakland County 115 & Woodward Talk
 - 3 Community Engagement Sessions: Schools/Parents, Senior Group, Urbanrest
- Staff
 - Staff Survey
 - Meeting with department heads and staff representatives

Bringing it all together:

- Analysis & learning report generated from surveys & engagement sessions to be shared ahead of the strategic planning retreat
- Strategic Planning Retreat
 - Board, Director, Department Heads & Staff Representatives
 - Completed in house using previous planning materials & other local library resources (including DIY Strategic Planning Webinar Materials)
 - Facilitated by Jeff Milo
- Finalize Plan for Board approval

Proposed Budget:

	Projected Cost
Patron Surveys- Printing (500)	\$100
Patron Survey- Mail Option (for those requested)	\$150
Patron Survey- Collection Boxes for Businesses	\$50
Promotion of Patron Survey - Paid Media	\$2,300
Promotion of Patron Survey/Community Engagement - Printing (100)	\$30
Promotion of Patron Survey- Prizes	\$200
Community Engagement Sessions	\$400
Survey/ Community Engagement Analysis	\$1,500
Facilitator Stipend	\$650
Strategic Planning Retreat	\$200
	\$5,580
MAX	\$6,000