**Paris Public Library**

**Board of Trustees**

**June 9, 2025**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by President Kristi McGill. Boylan, Brann, Garst, Gill, Gross, Lehman, McGill, Punzelt - present. Earlywine– absent.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** MOTION: Gill, second by Gross to approve minutes as corrected from May 12, 2025 meeting. Motion carried.

**Correspondence, communications, and public comments:** None

**Committee Reports:**

**\*Finance:** Director Boylan reported that there were no large, unexpected costs. The new website cost is higher than in the past. Refrigerator magnets were purchased for the patrons. MOTION: McGill, second by Lehman to accept Finance Report. Motion carried.

**\*Book:** None

**\*House:** The roof, windows and side door are still issues.

**Librarian’s Report**: Director Boylan announced that the Summer Reading is going well, and Story Time is starting to see reliable attendance. Alex attended the Community Baby shower to promote the library and encouraged families to sign up for 1,000 Books before Kindergarten. Shiloh School enjoyed a field trip to the library to learn about Mr. Carnegie. The library outreach to Twin Lakes Extended Care is going well. There was discussion about reaching out to Brookstone and Paris Health Care as well. MOTION: Gross, second by Punzelt to accept librarian’s report. Motion carried.

\***Friends:** The friends have voted to disband, due to lack of volunteers. They will finish the book sale and turn over finances to the library.

**Old Business:** The architect answered questions concerning the access consultant fee ($9,500). This fee was mostly due to the OSHA requirements. MOTION: McGill, second by Lehman to accept the proposal from Western Specialty Contractors. Motion carried. Shortening the hours on Thursday was discussed. Even with early closing on Thursday, the library would still be compliant with Illinois Library Law. MOTION: Lehman, second by Gill to close at 6pm on Thursday beginning on July 1, 2025. Motion carried. MOTION: Gross, second by McGill to increase full-time library staff salary by 5%. Motion carried.

**New Business:** Town Hall meeting on Friday, June 13. Debra Miller will return in September as Laura Ingalls Wilder.

**Miscellaneous:**  Next meeting is July 14, 2025.

MOTION: McGill, second by Brann to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Evie Gill, Secy.