

**Negaunee Public Library Board**

**10:15 a.m., July 20, 2021**

**Michigan Room, Negaunee Public Library**

**Masks required**

1. Call to order
2. Secretary's Report
3. Public Comment
4. Financial Report
5. Communications
6. Librarian's Report
7. Unfinished Business
  - a. Pioneer Days book sale
  - b. Phase 4 begins today!
  - c.
8. New Business
  - a. Jessica vacation August 2-6?
  - b.
9. Adjourn
  - a. Next meeting: July 20, 2021
  - b. Officers:  
President: Al Sundine  
Vice President: Laura Jandron  
Secretary: Eyre Becker

## Negaunee Public Library Board

Minutes of the 6/22/21 meeting inside the library due to "inclement" weather.

Members present: E. Becker, L. Jandron, A. Sundine, M. Sylvester and J. Holman, Library Director.

Meeting called to order at 10:17 a.m. by Pres. A. Sundine. Minutes of the meeting on May 25, as submitted by J. Holman, were approved.

Public Comment: None.

Financial Report: All bills were paid as of June 22, 2021.

Communication: None.

Librarian's Report: Librarian's report was provided in the board packet. The June 7th book sale and the summer reading sign-up were covered by The Mining Journal and TV6. The profit from the sale was \$250. The next scheduled book sale will take place on 7/10/21. An update was given about the scheduled computer appointments. The new server has been installed but appointments are off to a slow start. There was discussion about the pricing of the interlibrary loan courier service and if there were any other viable options. Dungeons and Dragons programming is being enjoyed by all involved.

### Unfinished Business:

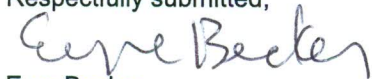
1. Summer reading was addressed in the Librarian's Report.
2. Phase 3 computer appointment update was also addressed in the Librarian's Report.
3. Phase 4 browsing by appointment. M. Sylvester made a motion to start browsing by appointment in 15 minute increments; wearing masks and having temperatures taken; maximum of 8 individuals or 2 families starting 7/20/21. The motion was seconded by E. Becker and passed unanimously.
4. Memorial to Jeanne Sandstrom. A. Sundine made a motion to install a plaque instead of renaming the Reading Room to commemorate the life of Jeanne Sandstrom. L. Jandron seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

### New Business:

1. A. Sundine made a motion to cancel the Wall Street Journal Subscription at a cost savings of \$599.88. M. Sylvester seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
  - a. J. Holman related that the WSJ is available on MEL later in the evening.
2. J. Holman is applying for the Michigan HOPE grant. The grant will offer up to \$15,000 to cover operating expenses (including utilities, internet and part-time salaries) and programming. The grant money would be applied September 2021 through September 2022.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15.

Respectfully submitted,



Eyre Becker

Negaunee Public Library Board Secretary

**Negaunee Public Library**

**Financial Report**

July 20, 2021

All bills were paid through July 1, 2021.

Bills to be paid August 1, 2021:

Baker & Taylor	336.18 (books)
Charter/Spectrum	48.98 (monthly internet)
MicroMarketing	64.79 (audiobooks) 47.59 (large print)
Superiorland Library Cooperative	1,645.98 (half state aid payment)



## Negaunee Public Library Board

July 20, 2021

### Librarian's Report

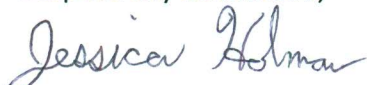
The Friends of the Negaunee Public Library held their annual Pioneer Days sale outside the library on the morning of Saturday, July 10. We borrowed tables and tents from the Parks and Recreation Department; the Friends also provided tables. Ten Negaunee High School varsity football players helped haul books out of the basement storage, and eight came back to help pack everything up. Love and Bicycles also held a pre-parade event on our lawn that morning, and let us borrow their table and tents when they were finished. The sale brought in \$557. For being half the length of the normal Pioneer Days sale, this is excellent, in my opinion. For comparison, the 2019 book sale made \$720. Next year, the book sale will once again be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Thursday of Pioneer Days, in the Senior Center, with setup the previous day. The Friends are looking forward to going back to normal.

We have had 65 youth sign up for summer reading, as of Friday, July 16. This is a good increase from last year, but we have not risen to pre-pandemic participation yet. The adult summer reading program is going very well. On a sad note, this week we are losing one of our faithful summer reading program sponsors, as Beef-a-Roo is closing Friday, July 23. They had donated ice cream coupons for the children.

Today marks the beginning of Phase 4: Browsing Appointments. Most patrons I have told about this are delighted, ecstatic, and eager to get back in the building, even with our mask requirements. We are still offering curbside services for any who cannot or do not wish to enter the building. However, we have also had a couple of complaints via the library's Facebook page. Staff have mixed feelings about our reopening.

The director's computer, which was purchased in 2010, died on July 9. The Superiorland Library Cooperative was able to save all the files, which are now on an external drive. I had budgeted for a new computer, and am waiting on a quote for the replacement.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Jessica Holman, director