Hazard Library Board Meeting

Minutes - May 11, 2026

Called to order: 5:45 PM at Opendore

Present: Nancy Hart, Kathie Garnsey, Bess Simkin, Connie Rejman, Pat Berry, Betsy Donald, Lisa Semenza

Excused: Sonjia Turner

1) **Minutes of April meeting**
   - Minutes were reviewed. No corrections were made.
   - Connie made a motion to approve the April minutes. Betsy seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

2) **Treasurer's Report**
   - Lisa reviewed financial information since Pat is just assuming duties as treasurer.
   - Lisa will speak to Jay Engels regarding arrangements for completing an audit of our 2025 books and serving as our bookkeeper.
   - The board agreed funds should be transferred from the Money Market account to the Building Checking Account to make the needed payments to Bouley and the architects.
   - Motion to approve treasurer's report made by Pat and seconded by Connie. Motion carried unanimously.

3) **Library Director's Report-** see attached
   - Lisa reviewed report

4) **Budget**
   - Proposed School Tax levy $79,325 (an increase of $10,000 from 2025).
   - Budget will be proposed at Annual Meeting to follow.

5) **Library State Annual Report**
   - No discussion

6) **Capital Project**
   - No report from Larry Liberatore
   - Lisa will forward notes from JOC meeting to anyone who would like to review them.

7) **Fundraising**
   - Still need to work on this.

8) **Events**
   - Date for yard sale suggested to be September 12 at Opendore.
   - Doug's Fish Fry at fire house on September 19th.

- Pat said signs for book sale will be ready for June meeting.

9) **New Business-**
   - Need to put a financial policy in place. It is required by 2027.

Next Meeting –

- Monday June 8th 6:00 PM Opendore

Adjourned: 6:30 PM

Submitted by Kathie Garnsey

Library Director's Report
(Lisa Semenza)
May 11, 2026

April 28 *– UPK Story Time with a bird theme.*

May 5 *– Learned that Anne Fessenden passed away and the family has mentioned Hazard Library as a place for memorial donations. As of 5/7 we have received 3 donations.*

May 5 *– Opendore approved having Doug's Fish Fry at Opendore on Sat 9/19 (week after the yard sale) if we want to pursue it.*

May 5 *– E-mailed Jay Engels about accounting. Have not yet heard back from him.*

May 6 *– The Cayuga Bank representative confirmed that all the paperwork is in order for check signing on our accounts.*

May 6 *– Southern Cayuga Book Club met at Aurora Library to discuss "Violeta" by Isabel Allende. There were 15 people in attendance.*

May 7 – *Submitted a Walmart Spark Good grant. It can be up to $5000 if they give us any funding (more likely a few hundred).*

Upcoming

May 14 – Author visit (David Soman and Jacky Davis of Ladybug Girl books) to be held at Emily Howland. Peachtown students will also attend one of the presentations. This is funded by Rosen Grant.May 17 – HSSM Annual Meeting – Is anyone available to represent the library? 7:00 PM

May 23 – There is an event at the ambulance. Is anyone available so that the library can have a presence at it?