**Hazard Library Association Board of Trustees Meeting**
Monday, July 13, 2026

The meeting was held at Opendore.

**PRESENT**: Nancy Hart, Pat Berry, Bess Simkin, Connie Rejman, Sonjia Turner, and Kathie Garnsey.

**EXCUSED:** Lisa Semenza and Betsy Donald

President Nancy Hart called the meeting to order at 7:07 P.M.

**MINUTES TO JUNE MEETING**: A motion was made by Pat and seconded by Connie to accept the minutes. Carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**:
● A motion was made by Connie and seconded by Bess to approve the treasurer's report. Carried.

**BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE:**
● Bouley is finishing up phase 1 construction work.
● We signed the phase 2 architectural design proposal. The architectural plans will be given to Bouley at the end of August.
● The construction grant application for phase 3 is due in September.

**ITEMS TO DISCUSS:**

**Book Sale & Doug's Fish Fry**
● We signed up for time slots to set up, work, and take down the book sale. ● For Doug's Fish Fry on 7/28, library patrons will donate baked goods, Lisa will bring beverages and Nancy will man the table.

**Fundraising**
● We will set up a meeting to put together a script for soliciting donations.
● Fundraising goals and data will be clarified and put into simple graphics to support investment from donors.

**Masonry**
● Sonjia will reach out to masons to repair library steps and those interested will follow up with Lisa.

**Next Meeting**: Monday, August 10 at 6:30 PM at Opendore.

Adjourned at 8:10 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Sonjia Turner

**Library Director's Report**
(Lisa Semenza)
July 13, 2026

We were very busy with outreach and visits from 6/12-6/20

- **June 12** – End of the year PTO event at EH. Both Hazard and Aurora Libraries were present to promote the libraries, library cards, and summer reading to families. We had fun crafts and they loved dinosaur temporary tattoos. Families were alerted to look for packets of information coming home with their children.
- **June 16** – Final UPK Story Time of the year. Book giveaway to 1st grade as they were on a field trip on 6/18.
- **June 18** – Book giveaways to the rest of the grade levels. All students received a packet with information about summer reading programs at Hazard and Aurora, reading log, stickers, directions, and bookmarks. Packets were also given to Peachtown students. We have extra logs at the libraries for anyone who still needs one.
- **June 20** – Hazard and Aurora Libraries had a presence at the Food Pantry doing mostly the same things as PTO event. Any families that do not have students in school received summer reading packets. Families with children in school were encouraged to check backpacks for packets. We also gave packets for younger siblings.

Publicity for all Summer Reading programs and the Book Sale has been published in the following places:

- Facebook events with reminders for each program posted
- On our website (both in the calendar and on a separate page)
- Fingerlakesdailynews.com calendar
- Citizen online calendar
- Ithaca Times online calendar
- Full schedules emailed to everyone in our email list
- Book Sale is also listed on booksalefinder.com

**June 16** – Final day of story hour at Hazard. Those families received their summer reading packets.

**June 23** – Lisa has met with representatives from Verizon One Talk about changing the phone service. It is underway and we will have a new phone. It will most likely be fully in service after Lisa returns from vacation.

**June 25** – Pat and Lisa met to discuss treasurer duties and devised a plan for checks and balances. Pat wrote the paychecks for July. Still have not heard back from Jay Engels RE audit. Will follow up with Cahill and Knobel about doing that after vacation week.

**June 29** – Yard Sale planning meeting held. Lisa, Connie, and Betsy with Jackie from HSSM. Connie is looking into a food truck. ***Save the date for Sat, Sept 12. Volunteers are needed. Lisa is out of town.***

**July 1** – Book Club was cancelled when it was discovered there were a number of members who had not yet received a copy of the book. The July book ("This is Happiness" by Niall Williams) will be discussed in August and we will decide how to revise the end of the year's selections.

**July 7** – We started Summer Reading Programs with Story Time on Tues and Birdwatching/Nature Walk at Opendore on Thurs. The library is all decorated. People are registering and we have started our weekly ice cream drawings.

**July 9** – Sign up sheets for the Book Sale now available at the library and in Google Doc for Lisa and Pat to access and share info.

**Upcoming**

July 11-18 – Lisa away. Kathy will be covering programs that week.

July 14– Ukulele Camp begins

August 1 – Wheat Harvest Festival – Hazard will have a table to promote the library and programs as we have during the past few years.