

**Minutes of the
Manitowoc-Calumet Library System
Board of Trustees Meeting
May 27, 2026
Kiel Public Library**

The regular meeting of the Manitowoc-Calumet Library System Board was called to order at the Kiel Public Library on Wednesday, May 27, 2026 at 5:30 p.m., by Vice-President of the Board, Ray Mueller.

Members Present: In person- Ron Dietrich, Kali Hentges, Mary Hoerth, Sara Meier, Ray Mueller; Scott Tuma **Virtual-** Chuck Krueger, Megan O'Connor, Darcie Schwalenberg-Kesler, Don Weiss

Members Absent: Natasha Khan, Jeremy Sehloff, Don Zimmer

Others Present: Rebbecca Barry, Julia Davis, Jeff Dawson, Lydia Dill, Amy Eisenschink, Rebecca Scherer, Kate Verhelst

Minutes: A motion was made by Meier and seconded by Dietrich to accept the minutes of the March 25, 2026 MCLS Board meeting. Motion carried.

Member Library Directors' Reports: Reports were presented by Julia Davis, Jeff Dawson, Lydia Dill and Rebbecca Barry.

Financial Business: A motion was made by Hoerth and seconded by Hentges to approve the March and April 2026 financial reports. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Dietrich and seconded by Weiss to approve the April and May 2026 payment of bills. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Meier and seconded by Tuma to approve the Reach Out and Read report through April 2026. Motion carried.

System Director's Report: A written report was included in the Board packets.

Office & Outreach Coordinator's Report: A written report was included in the Board packets.

LARS Consultant's Report: A written report was included in the Board packets.

Trustee Education – Trustee Tale: Advocating for Your Library: Scherer discussed how well written this article was, and it was suggested that library directors share this information with their own board trustees.

Confirm date and set place for next meeting: The next MCLS Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 29, 2026, at 5:30 p.m., at the Lester Public Library.

Adjourn: A motion to adjourn was made at 6:12 p.m. by Meier and seconded by Hoerth. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Verhelst