

**Whitman County Library  
Board of Trustees Meeting**

Public Meeting at the Colfax Branch of the Whitman County Library  
May 20, 2025

**Present:** Blaine Golden, Sue Kreikemeier, Heather Lustig, Cindy Alred, Rhonda Penwell and Steve Greene. Staff members in attendance included Hollyanna Hahn, Catalina Flores, Nichole Kopp and Christy Hughes.

Cindy called the meeting to order at 4:01 pm.

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

Minutes of the April meeting and Resolutions 25-12 and 25-13, Accounts Payable and Payroll were approved by a vote of the Board.

**Reports**

April financial documents were presented to the board and a brief explanation about them was given.

**Continuing Business**

In branch news, Lauri Davison was hired as the Uniontown Branch Manager and starts training 5/21/25. Current Uniontown Branch Manager, Katie DeFord, has her last day of employment on 5/31/25. CMS Photography gave a presentation in Albion. Farmington Branch Manager may miss some time due to medical reasons – will remain flexible and communicative to reach out when coverage is needed. Lacrosse Branch Manager Ana Bennett has returned from leave. The grand opening for the Malden Branch is Wednesday, May 29<sup>th</sup> at 11 a.m.

Library usage statistics were presented to the board and a brief explanation about them was given.

Hollyanna Hahn gave an update on IMLS funding: after legal proceedings it was determined that IMLS funds which supported the Whitman Heritage Grant via the Washington State Library must be reinstated for the rest of the fiscal year.

On 5/4/2025, the board voted to amend Christy Hughes' contract for the Executive Director position to have her start date changed from June 1, 2025 to May 22, 2025. Amendment has been signed by Board Chair and Executive Director.

**New Business**


Parking lot – Board Member Blaine Golden has looked in to the cost of repairing/replacing the back parking lot of the Colfax Branch. Estimate from Poe Construction was \$40,975 for asphalt. They do not do concrete and recommended we reach out to Motley for a concrete bid. Blaine will research the steps required to apply for .09 funding from the county. The Friends of the Library have recommended a temporary fix by doing a “sponsor a pothole” fundraiser which would have people donate a bag of cold-press asphalt and volunteers would apply to the back parking lot.

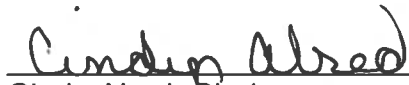
### **Adjourn**

The regular meeting was adjourned at 4:39 PM by Cindy Alred.

### **Next Meeting**

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, at 4:00 PM at the **Albion** branch of the Whitman County Library.

  
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Steve Greene, Finance Manager

  
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Cindy Alred, Chair