

WHITE PINE LIBRARY COOPERATIVE ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes, June 25, 2025

Approved August 27, 2025

Welcome

The meeting was held at Fleschner Memorial Library in Birch Run, MI. Kate Van Auken called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. There were 27 attendees at the meeting: 19 in person (including 3 guests) and 8 online via Zoom.

Introductions

Kate Van Auken, WPLC Director, welcomed attendees to the meeting, inviting them to share their name, library, and one thing they are looking forward to about their Summer Reading Program.

Approval of Agenda

Jeanette Morrish moved, and Erin Schmandt seconded to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion was carried.

Approval of Minutes

Jeanette Morrish moved, and Amber Hughey seconded to approve the April 23, 2025, Advisory Council minutes. The motion was carried.

Director's report

Kate Van Auken presented her report. Topics included Rides renewal information, updates on IMLS funding and State of MI budget, Wage Comparison using MI Counting Opinions database, the Lakeland Library Cooperative GIS Project update, Content Controls in OverDrive, the ASLdeafined discount available through the end of June, Reimbursable Services Support Program, library association reimbursement, and member news. See the Director's Report for more details and further explanation: https://wplc.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/director_reports/director-report-june2025.pdf

Technical Services and Cataloging Coordinator's report

Kate Van Auken presented Alison's report. Some topics included the Peabody update project, Peabody errors, interlibrary loan, copy cataloging requests, original cataloging requests, website maintenance, and accessibility. See the Technical Services and Cataloging Coordinator's Report for more details and further explanation: https://wplc.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/office_report/office-report-june2025.pdf

Old Business

Kate Van Auken shared additional information about the search for a web designer to create a new Peabody interface.



New Business

There was no new business.

Public Comments/Membership News:

BillieJo Bluemer, Rauchholz Memorial Library Director, shared how she is having issues with MCLS' Sierra software.

Molina Healthcare HIDE-SNP Community Grant Funding Project Presentation

Maura Fulton, Population Health Leader, and Melody Relerford, Sr. Specialist, Growth and Community Engagement shared information about grant and partnership opportunities for member libraries. The slide deck and grant application were sent to members with the Weekly Update dated June 26, 2025.

211 Northeast Michigan and Thumb Cares Presentation

Denelle Philemon, Community Navigator, shared information about 211 statewide service where the community can be matched up with services in their area.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be on August 27, 2025, at Briggs District Library in St. Johns.

