Meeting Minutes – Cameron Library Board –August 31, 2026
Present: Char Tubbs, Kathy Krug, Jeremy Tepaske, Wendie Brooten and Dawn Ayers.
Absent: Russ Hulback, Judy Erickson.

Minutes from the July 27, 2026 meeting were reviewed. Char moved to accept the minutes with a second by Kathy.

Finance Report
Checking account beginning balance: $5,575.95. Debits included $108.74 to Scholastic for Summer Reading book prizes, $440.53 for Prehistoric Pets program, and $500 for Idyllwild music program. Credits were $561.65 with $61.65 from donations (for faxes and copies) and $500 donation from Friend of the Library for Summer programming. Ending account balance is $5,088.33
Donations for faxes and copies July 27-August 25 totaled $42.56.
Dawn contacted Kristi about errors discovered in 2026 expenses to the library budget comparison detail. Kristi indicated that Dawn should meet with Wendy at Village Hall to discuss. Books and movies will be purchased following that meeting.

Expenditures
Dollar Tree, $7.91 for Supplies out of copies/faxes donations; $149.90 Credit Card for magazine subscriptions. Char moved to accept the expenditures with a second by Jeremy.

Activities
1,700 items circulated in July, 687 items were borrowed from other libraries, 859 items lent to other libraries, 9 new patrons registered, 25 items added to the collection, 397 wireless users, 348 electronic check-outs and 454 website visits.
The Explore MORE Passport Program began on June 1 and runs through today, August 31. We have had 102 participants. The Summer Reading Program ended on Saturday, August 15. We had 55 registered participants. 18 children participated in the Summer Reading Challenge. 152 attended the Prehistoric Pets program on August 11. Card players were scheduled to use the Center that day, so cards took place in the library. There were 36 attendees for the music of Idyllwild on August 20.
The Loose Parts activity table has been stocked and "opened for business" on August 11. We have had 24 people use it. Participants are encouraged to send photos of their creations to the library.
The Storytelling Center with story & flannel board and pieces, as well as printed activities and a parent/teachers' guide for library or home use had 32 participants.
The Girl Scouts supplied star bracelet crafts, mystery code activity, and bookmark crafts. So far, 63 have participated in those take and make activities.
44 participated in bug and safari magnet crafts.
200 enjoyed take and make coloring mandala book marks.
96 made Origami bookmarks.
We are currently offering Bugs to Fold and Fly paper gliders.

Facility Report
Nothing to report.

Old Business
A complete Naming Rights policy was distributed. The Board will move forward once Russ has reviewed the policy. Gift thresholds remain under consideration.

New Business
Updated Social Media Policy was discussed. Wendie moved to approve the updated Social Media Policy as presented with a second by Jeremy. Motion carried.
Updated Library Bylaws Policy was distributed for review at home. The policy will be submitted in two parts.

Dawn requested library closure on September 25 for staff to attend an AI Training Conference taking place at UWEC in Rice Lake. Jeremy moved to close for the conference with a second by Kathy. Motion carried.
The initial 2027 budget was proposed. Per discussion, Dawn will add another part-time library position, not to exceed 12 hours per week. Due to rising costs, board members requested that Dawn add reasonable amounts to the subscription line item and possibly supplies and/or books for further review at September's meeting.

September's agenda will include Naming Rights Policy, Library Board Bylaws, and 2027 Budget Proposal.

Char moved to adjourn with a second by Kathy.

Next regular meeting, Monday, September 28, 5:30p.m. at the Library/Community Center.

Respectfully submitted by Dawn Ayers.