Calhoun Memorial Library Board Meeting Minutes
Sept. 1, 2026

Minutes of the Calhoun Memorial Library Board of Director's Meeting: Sept. 1, 2026

The board meeting was called to order at 9 a.m. on Sept, 1, 2026, by President Jean Wacker at the Calhoun Memorial Library.

Members present: Jean Wacker, Barb Ryan, Sally Johnson, Louise Brown, Jeff Martin, Scott Bachowski, John Hunsinger and Rachel Westberg. Also present were Library Director Emily Resendiz and Friends of the Library member Lettie Dreyer.

The agenda was approved by motion of Rachel Westberg, seconded by Scott Bachowski. Motion carried.

There were no in-person comments.

Minutes of the August regular board meeting were presented to board members in printed form. Motion was made by Scott Bachowski, seconded by John Hunsinger, to accept the minutes with two minor corrections. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Jeff Martin, seconded by Louise Brown, to accept the August reoccurring expenditures/treasurer's report. Motion carried. A motion was then made to approve the monthly expenditures by Scott Bachowski, seconded by Jeff Martin, as presented by Resendiz. Motion carried. Resendiz also presented the month's petty cash, statistics, and activities as part of the director's report.

Library Friend Lettie Dreyer reported on the latest from the Friends of the Library.

Rachel Westberg, school representative, reported on Chetek-Weyerhaeuser Area School activities.

Mayor Jeff Martin provided an update from the City of Chetek.

Scott Bachowski reported on news from the Barron County Board.

Resendiz presented an update to the library's electrical upgrades.

The board continued discussion on the potential need for a formal "Programming Policy" and a "Volunteer Policy." No formal action was taken, but Resendiz did provide a programming policy draft for the board to take up in October.

Pursuant to Wisconsin Statute 19.85 (1)(c) a motion was made by Jeff Martin, seconded by Scott Bachowski to go into closed session to discuss salaries and the 2027 budget. By a roll-call vote, the board unanimously agreed to go into closed session. Following closed-session discussion, a roll-call vote was held to break back into open session, which was agreed upon unanimously.

Upon completion of closed session discussions, a motion was made to request $173,581 from the City of Chetek as part of the 2027 budget. Motion seconded by Barb Ryan. Motion carried.

Items for the October meeting agenda include the 2027 budget, 2027 board meeting dates, and volunteer and programming policies.

Motion to adjourn by Rachel Westberg, seconded by Jeff Martin. Motion carried; meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

