



**Leanna Hicks Library Board  
Library Board Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, May 15, 2025 at 6:00pm**

Leanna Hicks Public Library of Inkster  
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Board President:	Akindele Akinyemi	Board Vice-President:	Dr. Hester Shoats
Board Secretary:	Dr. Louise Edje	Board Treasurer:	Ruth E. Williams
Board Director:	Carolyn Wilson	Board Director:	Sharron Tate

**Call to Order** – The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST).

**Pledge of Allegiance** - Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

**Roll Call**- Akindele Akinyemi, Dr. Louise Edje, Ruth E. Williams, Carolyn Wilson, Dr. Hester Shoats. Absent and Excused - Sharron Tate.

**Approval of Agenda** – The agenda was approved as presented.

**Presentations**– There were no presentations.

**Minutes**- Approval of April 17, 2025 meeting minutes. The minutes were approved as presented and placed on file.

**Treasurer's Report**

1. Approval of April 2025 expenditures in the amount of \$44,176.24 The question was asked about the water bill. It was stated that the library should not pay for water.

**Director's Report** – Ms. Harijan reported on the following: Penal finds update was provided. Also, the Release and Settlement Agreement and the local Author's program was discussed October 11, 2025. She discussed partnerships with the Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts and the Inkster Police and Fire Department.

**Committee Reports** – None.

**Friends Report**– It was reported that the Friends of the Leanna Hicks Public Library will meet next Thursday at 5:00 at the library.

**Unfinished Business**– There was none.

**New Business**

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41 1. Discussion/Action: 2024-2025 Budget Amendment Approval. This discussion was tabled.  
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43 2. Discussion/Action: Upcoming FY 2025-2026 Budget for Leanna Hicks Public Library of  
44 Inkster (including Library Director recommendations). Upcoming budget suggestions were  
45 discussed from the various Trustee members and Director.  
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47 3. Discussion/Action: Wayne County Penal Fine Update. This was discussed during the  
Director's report.  
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50 **Public Comments** – Mr. Timothy Williams recommended that we be cautious of the budget.

51 **Board Communications** – There were none.

52 **Closed Session:** Library Board may enter into Closed Session in accordance with Public Act  
53 267 of 1976, Michigan's Open Meetings Act. Out of closed session at 7:57.  
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- 55 ○ Next Library Board regular meeting: Thursday, June 19, 2025 at 6 p.m.

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57 **Adjournment-** The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m. Eastern Standard Time  
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64 Louise Edje, Ed.D. Secretary

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Akindele Akinyemi - President