Friends Of the Roscommon Area District Library
Membership Meeting, September 8, 2026

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Jim Englehard at 1:00 pm. There were 19 members present.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the group.

Reports
Secretary Minutes: The minutes of the August membership meeting were presented. Motion to accept the minutes was made by Wilma Barber, seconded by Martha Clapp. Motion carried.

Treasurer-Financial Report: Lisa Sutton presented the financial report. There is $7,472.33 in the Prime Share account, and $449.42 in the checking account for a total of $7,921,75. Sandra Thatcher made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Bev Myers. Motion carried.

Lisa Sutton presented the proposed budget. The Leadership Team made cuts in many areas, and the new budget was explained. After a discussion, and questions, a motion to approve the budget was made by Mary Lou Jennette, seconded by Beverly Emery.

Wilma Barber has expenses for ads run in newspaper in amount of approximately $77.00. Motion made by Sue Glover, seconded by Sandra Thatcher to approve up to $80.00 for ad expenses. Motion approved.

Membership: We have 113 paid members. 16 Lifetime members. Membership dues of $5.00 are due for the year. Jim Englehard commented that after discussion of the Leadership team it was agreed that dues should be kept at $5.00. Many people support, but do not want to be active, and members contribute during the year with donations for events.

Outreach Committee: Sign up sheet was passed around to fill spots for the book sale that will be held on Friday, October 2, and Saturday morning, October 3rd. Asking for volunteers to help with setting up on Thursday, October 1, as well.

The group also plans to sell donut holes, and a small glass of cider in the entrance area. Donations of a jug of cider, or donut holes by Thursday, 10/1, are appreciated.

We have plenty of books for the sale, and do not need more donations. We could use large brown paper bags, please donate if you have any. If you see Book Sale ads on Facebook, please share to get the word out to more folks.

Sue Glover reported we are short of a couple of volunteers for Roctoberfest in the Village. A sign-up sheet was passed to members. We are putting together a MI Basket for this event. Please feel free to donate a Michigan made product for the basket. Bring it to library by 10/1.

Sue also reported that an Outreach committee has been formed and will meet after the October meeting. We are trying to decide on a fundraiser for the group. Please feel free to attend and let Sue know if you have any fundraiser ideas.

Library Director's Report: Colleen went over her report of what they have been up to.

30 kids attended "Back to School Bingo", which was much higher attendance than last year. Each student received a backpack with school supplies.

Alison Marsh offered a Basic Sign Language class which was well attended.

The Secretary of State mobile unit resumed monthly visits to the library on September 4th, and Shred Day will be on Saturday, September 12th from 10:00 to 1:00.

A Halloween event is planned on October 10, with a storyteller entertaining the youth. Treats will be provided to attendees; donations are appreciated by October 7.

The very big news is that the loan for the library building was paid off!!! We thank Colleen and the Library Board for this huge accomplishment.

Officer changes and nominations: Motion made for Election of officers. Officers are needed to replace our Vice President as well as a Trustee. Alison Marsh indicated she will run for the position of VP, and Kathy Lawrence will run for Trustee. Jim Englehard asked if anyone in attendance was interested in one of these offices? Running unopposed is Alison Marsh our Vice President, Kathy Lawrence is Trustee.
Vote was taken, motion carried.

Adjournment: Erin Layton moved to adjourn at 1:43 pm, Sandra Thatcher seconded.
Motion carried.

Library Board Meeting, October 2, 2026
Membership meeting – October 13, 2026 @ 1:00 (Social time 12:30)
Leadership team meeting – September 22, 2026 @ 1:30