



Library Advisory Board Meeting Monday, June 16, 2025 12:30 pm Via Zoom

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District 1-Fischer (Secretary)	District 4- Howells (Vice-President)	District 7- Aoh
District 2- Rosenthal	District 5- Vacant	At-Large- Murphy
District 3- Kubiak	District 6- Grove	At-Large- Groves (President)

AGENDA

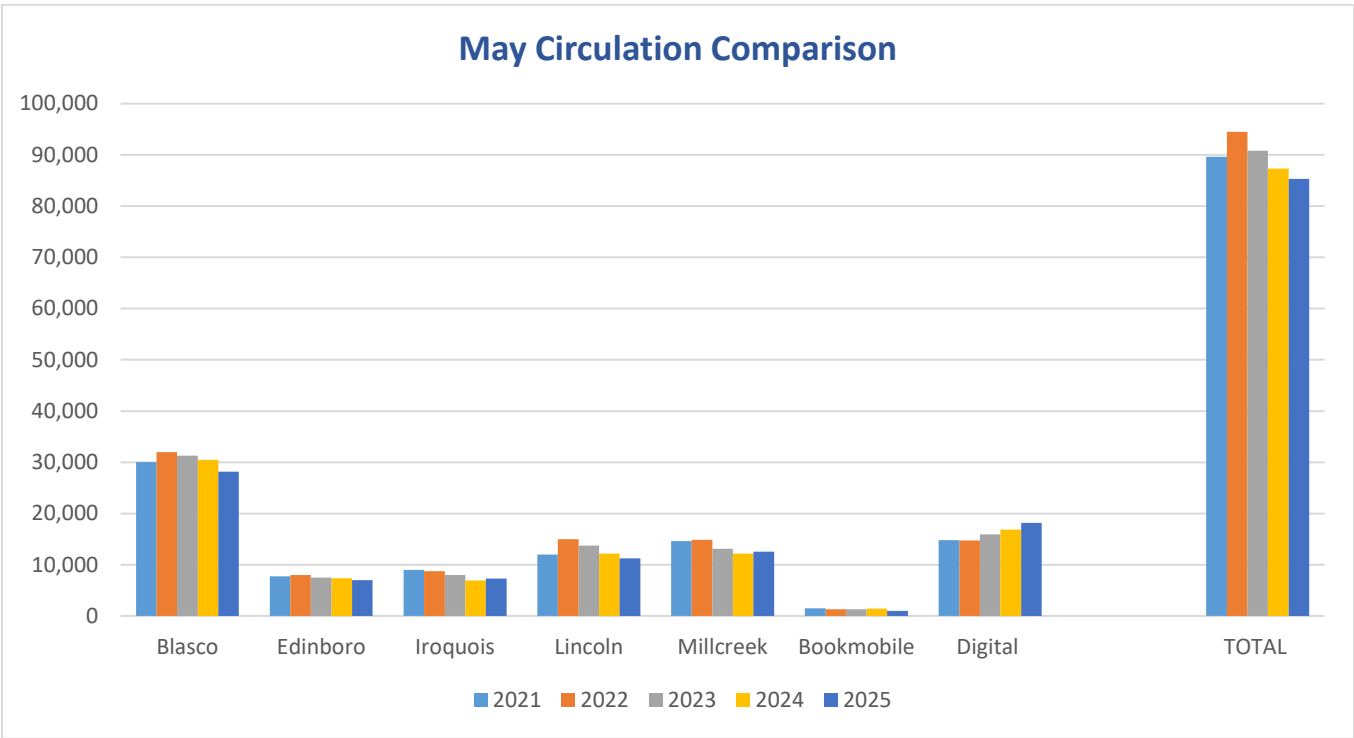
1. **Call to Order**
2. **Approval of Minutes – May 19, 2025**
3. **Public Comment- (limit to 15 minutes)**
4. **Library Reports**
 - a. Report of the Director- Jessica Spitulski
 - b. Staff Reports-
 - c. Review of Financial Report- Deana Cooper
 - d. Statistical and Other Reports- Deana Cooper
 - e. Report of District Consultant-Jessica Church
 - f. Report of County Council Liaison- Councilman Horton
 - g. Report of Friends of the Library- Karen Miller
 - h. Report of Erie Regional Library Foundation-
5. **Unfinished Business- None**
6. **New Business- None**
7. **Adjournment**
8. **Appendix**
 - a. Announcements
 - b. News Articles

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4. Library Reports
 - a. Report of the Director- Jessica Spitulski
 - Upcoming Library Closures
 - July 4-6th – Independence Day Holiday
 - Staffing Updates
 - Construction Updates
 - Blasco stairs construction
 - CLEER Construction
 - PennDot Bayfront Construction
 - Children’s Renovation Update
 - b. Staff Reports-
 - Summer Program Update – Alyssa Johnson
 - c. Review of Financial Report- Deana Cooper
 - No report
 - d. Statistical and Other Reports- Deana Cooper
 - Below

May 2025 Statistics

Numbers Snapshot

- 491 new cards issued, including 77 e-cards
- 8480 WiFi logins, 3019 public PC logins across locations
- Patron visits- 31,016 May visits.
- 134 programs
- Desk questions



May Circulation Statistics

	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Blasco	30,045	31,951	31,272	30,477	28,150
Edinboro	7,711	7,976	7,492	7,349	7,002
Iroquois	9,003	8,705	7,972	6,943	7,286
Lincoln	11,979	14,964	13,707	12,150	11,257
Millcreek	14,604	14,868	13,137	12,167	12,539
Bookmobile	1,475	1,298	1,299	1,427	966
Digital	14,797	14,755	15,918	16,829	18,143
TOTAL	89,614	94,517	90,797	87,342	85,343

e. Report of District Consultant-Jessica Church

No report

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a. Announcements

The next board meeting will be Monday, July 21 at 12:30pm via zoom

b. News Articles

June is Great American Book Sale month in Erie. Everything to know about the 6-day event.

June 1, 2025 | Erie Times-News: Web Edition Articles (PA)

Author/Byline: Staff report | Section: Entertainment

421 Words | Readability: Lexile: 1180, grade level(s): 10 11-12

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For readers, collectors and bargain-seekers alike, the annual Great American Book Sale has long been circled on the calendar.

As important as it is to book lovers, it's also critical to the Friends of the Erie County **Library**. The six-day event is the largest of their annual book sales and the all-volunteer nonprofit's No. 1 fundraiser. Monies raised during sales go toward support for the Erie County Public **Library** system.

"Funding from the Friends allows the **library** to provide programs, special events, activities, and services that would not otherwise be possible," according to the Friends' website. "The Friends of the **Library** has committed funding to **library** renovations and expansion, advocates for the **library** and dedicates funds to staff development. They support **library** outreach efforts at school nights, open houses, teacher in-services, community festivals, and other events."

A year ago, the Great American Book Sale had total income of \$96,902, including \$6,350 in sponsorships, according to the group's newsletter. Net profit was \$78,098, higher yet

than the then-record \$77,379 from the 2023 sale.

The sale started in 1978 and has occurred every year since with the exception of 2020 because of the pandemic.

When is Erie's Great American Book Sale?

The Great American Book Sale is set for June 15-20 at the Flo Fabrizio Ice Center, 423 W. 38th St.

Sale hours are 10 a.m.-8 p.m. June 15-19 and 10 a.m.-3 p.m. June 20.

More than 75,000 bargain-priced used books will be available, including children's and young adult titles, along with audiobooks, CDs, DVDs and puzzles.

Prices are \$2 for hardcovers and large paperbacks, \$1 for children's hardcovers and pocket-sized paperbacks and 50 cents for children's paperbacks. Books on CD are \$2 each and music CDs, DVDs and vinyl records \$1 each. Jigsaw puzzles are \$2 or as marked. Tax is included in purchase prices.

Entry is free of charge. Parking is free in the ice center lot.

How to donate books, media, puzzles

Donors can drop off small collections of used books, media and puzzles to the Friends at the Bayfront Bookshelf inside the Blasco **Library** lobby year-round during store hours. The Bayfront Bookshelf is open the same days as Blasco **Library**, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. except Sunday, when hours are 1-3 p.m. When the store is closed, small donations can be taken to the Blasco **library** front desk. Please do not leave donations in the lobby.

All Erie County Public **Library** branches accept donations of five or fewer items when they are open.

Large donations can be arranged by calling the Bayfront Bookshelf during store hours at 814-451-6942 or emailing info@erielibraryfriends.org.