

Minutes of the Fairbury Public Library Board

Wednesday, April 3, 2025

7:00 pm

601 7th Street, Fairbury, NE 68352

1. The regular meeting of the Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order by president, Kristin Vaughn. Notice of this meeting was posted in advance in the Fairbury Journal News. The Open Meetings Act was posted in the room as required by law.

2. In addition to the president, Kristin Vaughn, members present were LeAnn Krause, and Sarah Moorman. Stan Smith and Warner Krumme were absent. Our director Debbie Aden was also present.

3. There were no comments from the public.

4. The March 5th minutes were reviewed. Kristin made a motion to approve the minutes. Sarah seconded. Votes were as follows: LeAnn, yes; Kristin and Sarah, yes. Motion carried.

5. The Director's Report

Building:

-Petersen's replaced leaky flapper in women's restroom back stall

Technology:

-No problems

City Business:

-No updates

Library events and programming:

-Jeffs Gone Mad are planning an Easter party at the library April 19th

-During National Library Week, April 6-12, we will be featuring two Stick Together™ 40"x 36" mosaic

puzzle posters that everyone can help complete, one on each side of the library. The first person to correctly guess what the picture is will receive a small Casey's gift card.

Director activities and other happenings:

-Despite crazy weather and "the blizzard of '25" (which we did stay open for most of the day), library visits and circulation were up from February

-Continued weeding adult non-fiction

-Completed E-rate forms for 2026 funding year

-Attended a Wordpress Website workshop in Crete

-Applied for a Dollar General Grant to print bilingual Storywalk pages.

-In National news, Last week President Trump issued an Executive Order with the intention of eliminating the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). On March 31, nearly all staff IMLS were placed on administrative leave and processing of all grants has been suspended. It is unclear at this time how this will impact the Nebraska Library Commission, and ultimately some of the services we receive from them, such as Libby.

6. Bills in the amount of \$3,244.92 were reviewed. A motion was made by LeAnn that the bills be approved and paid as written. Kristin seconded. Votes were as follows: LeAnn, yes; Kristin, yes; and Sarah, yes. Motion carried.

7. Current Business:

- The board reviewed the Advocacy and Public Relations Policy with Debbie. A motion was made by LeAnn that the policy be approved as written. Sarah seconded. Votes were as follows: LeAnn, yes; Kristin, yes; and Sarah, yes. Motion carried.

-Debbie and Linda will be attending an Apollo workshop in Seward on April 30th.

8. There was no further business. The next regular meeting will be held on May 7, 2025.

9. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

LeAnn Krause