

Minutes of the Fairbury Public Library Board

Wednesday, March 4, 2026

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

5. The Director's Report

Building:

-Jed Vaughn looked at the broken concrete on the south side (Carnegie side). He will get back to us with a potential fix/estimate. Repairs would probably be in the fall, before the next freeze/thaw winter cycle.

Technology:

- New door counters with chimes installed on each entrance

Library events and programming:

-Jeffs Gone Mad Easter party planned for March 13

Director activities and other happenings:

- Nothing unusual for circulation and visitation stats. Sadly, Mango did not get use at all last month.
- Additionally, Newspaper Archives was offline most of the month. From their Website: "In February, an unauthorized third-party remotely accessed the systems that house NewspaperArchive.com and encrypted some systems, which disrupted the site's functionality...We do not expect access will be restored before the end of March."
- New paint, new furniture assembled, and new curtains hung, the children's side has a fresh, new look. Of the 470 Facebook page visits last month, 56 occurred on the day Trish posted pictures of the children's side updates.
- Presented annual report to City Council
- Attended CASTL in Wilber. Topic of discussion was Nebraskard.

6. Bills in the amount of \$7,241.58 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 members of the board reviewed the Community Needs Response Plan.
- Debbie let the members present know that 3.5 hours are still needed by the board to complete our 20-hour requirement.

8. Announcements or Other Discussion

Next regular meeting will be April 8, 2026

9. Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

LeAnn Krause