

Minutes of the Fairbury Public Library Board

Wednesday, April 8, 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, and Stan Smith. Warner Krumme was absent. Our director Debbie Aden was also present.

3. There were no comments from the public.

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

5. The Director's Report

Building:

-Chappell roofing repaired the damage from the tree branch that fell on the library last fall.

-The inside pane of the middle double-pane windows in the hallway has developed a large crack. We are unsure what caused it (the recent earthquake west of here?). Fairbury Glass is ordering a new pane. Will take 3-4 weeks to arrive and installed estimate about \$1,000.

-The fire door on the east side of the building sticks and is difficult to close. Fairbury Glass has worked on it several times. The building has settled and the frame and door are no longer square. They are recommending a complete replacement. Estimated cost \$3,300.

City Business:

- Dan Lufkin picked up chairs and other auction items

Library events and programming:

-About 60 people attended the Jeffs Gone Mad Easter party March 13

Director activities and other happenings:

-Although we had fewer visitors than previous months the winter, circulation of materials was up significantly.

-Mango only had 2 uses last month and NewspaperArchives continues to be unavailable.

-Final form completed to receive E-rate discount for Internet service

-Children's Librarian was out on vacation March 4-12 and the Director was out of town March 26 – April 5

6. Bills in the amount of \$3,792.00 were reviewed. A motion was made by LeAnn that the bills be approved and paid as written. Stan seconded. Votes were as follows: LeAnn, yes; Stan, yes; Kristin, yes; and Sarah, yes. Motion carried.

7. Current Business

-The board reviewed the Internet and Computer Use Policy. There were a couple of minor changes that Debbie elected to make. A motion was made by LeAnn that the policy be accepted with the changes. Stan seconded. Votes were as follows: LeAnn, yes; Stan, yes; Kristin, yes; and Sarah, yes. Motion carried.

-The board has finally reached the number of credits needed to keep our accredited standing.

-Debbie will be attending a Training Extravaganza in Seward on May 8. It is an all-day event.

8. Announcements or Other Discussion

Next regular meeting will be May 6, 2026

9. Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

LeAnn Krause