

**YANKTON COMMUNITY LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, June 11, 2025 5:30 pm
Virtual Meeting – GoToMeeting Interface &
Yankton Community Library Meeting Room, 515 Walnut St. Yankton, SD 57078**

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by President David Koerner at 5:30 pm. Present were MaryPat Bierle, Meg Severson, Nathan Johnson, Sarah Mechtenberg, Yankton City Commissioner Brian Bertsch, Yankton County Commissioner Ryan Heine (online), Library Director Dana Schmidt and Assistant Director Linda Dobrovolny. Board appointee Beryl Olson attended as a non-voting member pending the reorganization meeting in July.

Approval of April 9, 2025 minutes: Johnson made a motion to approve the April 9, 2025 minutes with a second by Severson. Unanimous approval.

Public Comment Period: None

Discussion of bills/Accept Financial Report: Schmidt commented on the timeline of the 2026 budget process and noted that items under \$5000 have been moved from the capital to the operating portion of the budget. She invited board members to attend the upcoming work session with the City Commission on the Capital Improvement Plan on Monday, June 18 at 6:00 pm. at the CMTEA building. Bertsch motioned to accept the financial report with a second by Severson. Unanimous approval.

Communications and correspondence: Dobrovolny shared that a heartfelt donation was made by the daughter of a longtime library user, expressing sincere gratitude for the meaningful bond her mother had formed with the library staff.

Director's Report: In addition to the written report, Schmidt discussed the potential next steps with a Request for Reconsideration. She also highlighted several upcoming programs: Fontenelle Forest Birds of Prey Raptor Show, The Zoo Man, Mirabile, and a fundraiser at Ben's Brew Station. She noted that TumbleMath had been added to the library's digital offerings, the ILL courier has been funded through September, and she is continuing to investigate the streaming service Kanopy as an additional digital offering.

Old Business: None

New Business

- Collection Development Policy: Bierle motioned to approve the policy with corrections and to continue edits on the Request for Reconsideration of Library Materials Form. Mechtenberg seconded. Unanimous approval

Other Business:

- Foundation update (Johnson): Gloria Pearson is a new member of the board. They are continuing to cultivate donors, work on a location recommendation, and plan to meet individually with City Commissioners.

- Accreditation update: Application is due to the State Library by August 1. The goal is to submit two weeks early to allow time for feedback and potential additions and/or corrections. Severson suggested a shared document for board members to track training hours with a goal of three hours per board member.
- A potential slate of officers for the reorganization meeting in July was discussed. Johnson and Severson are willing to serve as President and Vice President.

Adjourn the meeting of June 11, 2025: Bierle made a motion to adjourn at 6:30 pm with a second by Severson. Unanimous approval.