

KASSON PUBLIC LIBRARY (KPL) BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

Monday, December 8, 2025, at 6:00pm in the Library

Present: Acting Chair Ian Stauffer, Mel Ferris, Heather Gransee, and Director David Greenfield

Absent: Laurie Schultz

Amendments to Agenda: none

Visitors: John Talcott

Committee Reports:

Friends of the Library: John Talcott reports that they are looking to fill the Secretary position.

Petitions to the Chair: none

Minutes of the KPL Board Meetings: Motion to approve the November minutes by Ian, 2nd by Mel. Motion carried.

Financial Reports/Payables: Motion to approve the October and November financial reports/payables by Ian, 2nd by Mel. Motion carried.

Monthly Reports: Motion to approve monthly reports by Heather, 2nd by Mel. Motion carried.

Director's Report:

Library Activities –

- The library participated in Christmas in Kasson. Nancy and David were in the Santa Glow Parade Friday night. Tonya dressed up as Mrs. Claus for storytime Saturday morning, with cookies and hot chocolate. Ticka... Ticka... Ding! brought typewriters for people to write letters to Santa. Overall it was an enjoyable weekend.
- Representatives from State Library Services visited the library on December 8. They're visiting every region in Minnesota to see how libraries across the state are providing services to their communities.
- The library received donations of \$50 from Dixie Anderson and \$120 from the Monday Evening Book Club in memory of Gloria Brown.

Planning Ahead-

- There will be a Winter Reading Challenge for January/February.
- David is looking into scheduling an author talk in early February to kick off Blind Date With a Book.
- The directors from Dodge Center, Pine Island, West Concord, the branch manager from Blooming Prairie, and David met to talk about county funding and increased collaboration. We are in the early stages of planning a multi-author event for next spring. K-M Community Education has agreed to partner with us and provide the space.

Building Report- nothing to report

Old Business:

- New Library board members: some people have expressed interest, and we will encourage them to submit an application before the December 10 city council meeting.

New Business:

- Possible change to MNLINK billing: there is a proposed change to not bill for lost items under \$50. Lost MNLINK items does not occur frequently for our library, so this should not be very impactful.

General Discussion: none.

Adjourn: 6:49pm

Respectfully submitted by: Heather Gransee, secretary