

Neenah Public Library Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes—January 15, 2025

The meeting of the Neenah Public Library Board of Trustees held on January 15, in the Shattuck Community Room, was called to order by Koller at 4:00 p.m.

Members present: Carol Codner, Tami Erickson (Aldermanic representative), Randy Fieldhack, Lisa Hemes, Elizabeth Irish, Michael Koller (President), Joshua Kutney, Jenn McMahon (NJSD Rep, VP), Harrison Flint (teen representative) Alivia Haller (teen representative).

Members excused: Patricia Rickman and George Scherck (Winnebago County Rep)

Also present: Nicole Hardina-Wilhelm, director, Nancy Baird, circulation services manager, Katrina Wulff, youth services manager, Mehta Hess, adult services manager, Frank Cuthbert and Flo Bruno.

Minutes

On a motion of Fieldhack, seconded by McMahon, and unanimously approved, the Board approved the Library Board meeting minutes of December 18, 2024, and the Nominating Committee meeting minutes of January 7, 2025.

Director's and Technical Services Report

Hardina-Wilhelm shared that Storytime for Everyone at Valley VNA was featured in the Neenah News, and that an author talk by Amanda Lauer about her book *A Very Chapel Falls Christmas* was a great success on December 21st.

Department Reports

Adult Services Department

Hess shared details about a collaboration with Bedrock Coffee which resulted in a great program on coffee in December as well as the Friends selling library-branded coffee roasted by Bedrock and the reveal of the Fox Cities Reads title for this year, *Firekeeper's Daughter* by Angeline Boulley.

Circulation Services Department

Baird shared monthly circulation totals for 2024, and that Volunteer hours for 2024 were very close to pre-COVID numbers.

Youth Services Department

Wulff shared that she presented at the Summer Reading workshops on January 9 and 10th. The Read With Me Challenge during the month of February will be for kids ages 0-5, and the Stuffed Animal Clinic collaboration with Neenah High School CNA students will be January 18th.

Bills for Consideration

On the motion of Koller, seconded by Erickson, the Board unanimously approved payment of the December bills.

2025 Library Board Officers

The nominating committee consisted of Randy Fieldhack and Michael Koller. Fieldhack presented the slate of officers for 2025: Fieldhack for President, Koller for Vice President, and Codner for Chair of Finance and Personnel. Fieldhack asked for nominations from the floor. None were presented. On motion of Koller, seconded by Erickson, the board unanimously approved the slate of officers as presented.

Presidential appointment of the member of the Finance and Personnel Committee

Fieldhack appointed Irish to the Finance and Personnel Committee.

Next regularly scheduled meeting

Wednesday, February 19, at 4:00 p.m. in the Shattuck Community Room.

Adjournment

On motion of Erickson, seconded by Irish, the Library Board adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Mehta Hess". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mehta Hess