

Neenah Public Library Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes—February 19, 2025

The meeting of the Neenah Public Library Board of Trustees held on February 19, in the Shattuck Community Room, was called to order by Fieldhack at 4:01 p.m.

Members present: Carol Codner, Tami Erickson (Aldermanic representative), Randy Fieldhack (President), Lisa Hemes, Elizabeth Irish, Joshua Kutney, Jenn McMahon (NJSD Rep), Patricia Rickman, George Scherck (Winnebago County Rep), Harrison Flint (teen representative), Alivia Haller (teen representative).

Member excused: Michael Koller (VP)

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 Codner, seconded by McMahon, and unanimously approved, the Board approved the Library Board meeting minutes of January 15, 2025.

Irish arrived at 4:04.

Director's and Technical Services Report

Hardina-Wilhelm shared an update on Hoopla and the positive responses to the changes to service, as well as an update on summer lunches for 2025.

Department Reports

Adult Services Department

Hess shared about recent programs, including well-received history programs and the Mocktail program. The next Repair Cafe will be March 15th.

Circulation Services Department

Baird shared that use of the self-checks is up, and the volunteer of the year for 2024 is George Schneider.

Youth Services Department

Wulff shared about the February Reading Challenge and the new session of story times starting soon. Wulff has also been visiting other counties in the system to share about Wisconsin Act 20.

Bills for Consideration

On the motion of Rickman, seconded by Codner, the Board unanimously approved payment of the February bills.

Department of Instruction Annual Report

DPI Annual Report On motion of Codner, seconded by Kutney, the board unanimously approved the annual report and accepted the statement concerning public library system effectiveness.

Policy Revision: Piano Policy

On the motion of Rickman, seconded by McMahon, the Board approved the adjustment to the Piano policy, allowing use of the piano for concerts and recitals, allowing the piano to be moved as needed, and specifying the piano is not allowed for practice or lessons.

By-law Update: Officers, Article 3, Section 1

By the motion of Codner, seconded by Kutney, the Board approved replacing the first line of Officers, Article 3, Section 1 with “The officers shall be a president, a vice-president, and a chairperson of the Finance and Personnel Committee, elected from among the trustees. The vote shall take place at the January meeting.”

Next regularly scheduled meeting

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

Adjournment

On motion of Erickson, seconded by Hemes, the Library Board adjourned at 5:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Mehta Hess