

**MINUTES OF THE DAVID A. HOWE LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

DATE: Tuesday, April 14, 2026

TRUSTEES PRESENT: President Don Comstock, Treasurer Nancy Reuning, Tim Colligan, Madeleine Gasdik, Tom Reuning, Kris Green, Emily Peavey, Anne Sobeck, Secretary Jodi Pearson, Director Nic Gunning

TRUSTEES ABSENT: Nora Burdick

CALL TO ORDER: President Comstock called the meeting to order at 7:33 am.

DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF FINANCIALS AND MINUTES Discussion of March 10th Meeting Minutes and Financial Reports
A motion was made to accept the Minutes and Financials by Don, seconded by Kris, the motion carried 8-0.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Digital Circulation up substantially
Physical Checkouts are down a bit but still higher than last year
Podcast has had 909 listens
Programs are all doing well
Story time going very well, averaging 15 to 20 kids
Starting to promote Tuesdays on the Terrace
Still struggling with getting the Annual Report done - portal not working
Having some patron issues - Kris suggested enforcing policies- may need an unattended bag policy
Discussed possibly needing security during evening hours, 5 - 7 pm

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Finance/Grant Have not received the parking grant yet
Kelsey Naylor Foundation - windows - need quotes
Motion was made to accept the Audit report by Madeleine, seconded by Nancy, passed 8-0
In furtherance of October discussion, taxes to be collected are \$706,188. Motion was made by Madeleine, seconded by Nancy, passed 6-0

Youth No report

Building and Grounds Working on getting roof quote, having boiler issues (\$125,000 update needed), some cameras not working

Administrative Paige has resigned, relocating out of Wellsville. The board thanks her for her time at the library.

Mural No report

FRIENDS REPORT: Carol Gardner won the dinner tickets

OLD BUSINESS: State construction money still not received - \$160,000 is expected
Had a bit of a snag with transferring accounts over - names were not exact
Always appreciate snack and coffee bar donations

NEW BUSINESS: Anne Sobeck returning to the board
Charter update should be voted on this month
Board discussed upcoming scholarship, need to submit criteria, we have an internal candidate - \$1000
Breakfast and Balloons - Sunday of the Balloon Ralley
Don and Tim are donating the new popcorn machine when the library is ready

ADJOURNMENT: Madeleine made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Anne, carried 6 - 0. Meeting adjourned at 8:35 am.

Respectfully submitted, Secretary Jodi Pearson