

Amery Public Library Board of Trustees
Monday, January 26, 2026

Linda Gale called the meeting to order at 5:45pm board members present Jennifer Tyman, Eric Elken, Linda Gale, Annie Braaten, Kyrsten Hughes & Greta McCarty. Director Heather Wiarda, Adult Services Director Jake Wyrzykowski & Youth Services Director Emma Novak were also present. Board members that were not present were Ashley Long. A **Quorum** was established. **A motion (kh) and seconded (gm) was made to approve the agenda as written, motion carried.** It was certified that the meeting is in compliance with the open meeting law.

Public Comment

Heather passed around some thank you notes from a variety of donors and patrons.

Approval of Minutes: December 1st and December 29th Minutes

A motion was made (ab) and seconded (gm) to approve the Secretary's Reports from December 1st and December 29th as written. Motion carried.

Friends Report

The book sale room is now open when the library is open. There was talk about possibly picking months to donate money to specific projects such as February sales would be used for Summer Reading Programming. Love your Library displays are up in the library.

Library Director Report

(See attached) The book locker is out of order for now; we are waiting for some new parts. A Patron donated furniture to the children's area. They have been working on a summer goal of putting in a story walk possibly on the Stower Trail or York Park. There were 4340 check outs, 11 new patrons, & 1,072 wireless users at the library in the month of December.

Financial Report:

(See attached) Everything looks good. **A motion (jt) was made and seconded (kh) to approve the Financial Reports. Motion Carried.**

Now Account for Audit

(see attached). **A motion was made (gm) and seconded (jt) to approve the Now Account for Audit. Motion carried.**

Approve Vouchers

The bills were reviewed (see attached). **A motion (ab) was made and seconded (gm) to approve vouchers. Motion carried.**

Review of Board of Trustees Calendar 2026

(see attached) Heather presented the board with our calendar for the year.

Policy Review: Volunteer Policy, Holiday Hours Policy

(see attached) Both policies were reviewed and no changes were needed at this time.

Trustee Essential 11: Planning for the Library's Future

(see attached) Heather presented the policy and mentioned that we will need to start working on our new Long-Term Plan.

Long Range Plan Update

(see attached) Heather presented the progress of the plan.

Next meeting date: February 23rd at 5:45 at the Amery Public Library.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made (gm) and seconded (ab). Motion carried.