

HENNEPIN COUNTY

LIBRARY BOARD




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April 24, 2025, 5:30-6:30p.m.

Ridgedale Library | Robert H. Rohlf Room | 12601 Ridgedale Dr. | Minnetonka, MN 55305

Library Board Agenda

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. Welcome and Call to Order
2. Attendance
-  3. Approval of Agenda*
-  4. Approval of February 27, 2025, Meeting Minutes*
5. Staff Dialogue Selection
6. 2025 Budget Update
7. Discussion of Resolution in Support of MINITEX Services
8. May 14, 2025, Board Meeting Agenda
-  9. Adjourn*

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Executive Committee

Meeting Minutes

The Hennepin County Library Board met on February 27, 2025, at Ridgedale Library, Robert H. Rohlf room, 12601 Ridgedale Drive, Minnetonka.

Attendees

Present: Jessica Kraft (Chair), Lynn Stetler

Other Library Board Members Present: None

Hennepin County Staff: Scott Duimstra, Lillian Albrecht, J.R. Genett, Char Kimber

Welcome and Call to Order

Chair Jessica Kraft called the Executive Committee meeting of February 27, 2025, to order at 5:33 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance.

Attendance of Library Board Members

Library Board Clerk Lillian Albrecht took the roll call. The Board met the quorum with two of four members present.

Approval of Agenda

Motion: Stetler

Motion passed.

Approval of January 2, 2025, Meeting Minutes

Motion: Stetler

Motion passed.

Commendations for Former Library Board Members

The Board agreed to invite former Library Board members Briana Eicheldinger and Xaiyo Chang to the annual meeting to receive commendations for their service to the Board.

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March 19, 2025, Board Meeting Agenda

The Board reviewed the draft agenda and added items for introducing new Board members and the Nominating Committee. The Board also suggested future staff dialogues on programming and outreach.

Adjourn

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

Motion: Stetler

Motion passed.

Amal Karim, Secretary

Resolution in Support of the Minitex Library Services

Whereas, Minitex provides invaluable library services that enhance access to a vast collection of resources for patrons and libraries across Minnesota;

Whereas, Minitex facilitates access to a collection of more than 10 million resources from Minnesota's public, academic, and special libraries, available to patrons and libraries in every corner of the state via MNLINK.org;

Whereas, Minitex supports eLibrary Minnesota, a collection of education and research online resources essential to the success of Minnesota learners from grade school through graduate school, which was searched 55 million times last year;

Whereas, Minitex contributes to the digitization of historical content from Minnesota's cultural heritage organizations, with the Minnesota Digital Library containing 60,000 items that depict history from all 87 Minnesota counties and are sourced from the collections of 204 historical societies, libraries, archives, and cultural organizations from across the state;

Whereas, Minitex supports Minnesota's statewide ebook collection, eBooksMN.org, which offers nearly 10,000 books to readers of all ages with no need for checkouts or returns, and allows most Minnesota K-12 schools to add all 10,000 books to their local collections;

Whereas, Minitex supports library staff with continuing education to collectively meet the educational needs of Minnesota residents at every stage of life;

Therefore, be it resolved, that the [Library Board Name] fully supports Minitex Library Services and recognizes the critical role they play in providing equitable access to information, fostering educational success, and preserving Minnesota's rich cultural heritage.

Be it further resolved, that the [Library Board Name] commits to advocating for continued funding and support for Minitex Library Services to ensure these vital resources remain available to all Minnesotans.

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May 14, 2025, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Minneapolis Central Library, Doty Board Room

Library Board Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Attendance of Library Board Members



3. Approval of Agenda*



4. Consent*
 - A. Approval of Meeting Minutes for March 19, 2025
 - B. Donations

5. Public Comment

Those wishing to speak will sign the clipboard at the meeting door before the start of the meeting. Each speaker is allowed up to three minutes, with a maximum total of 15 minutes. Speakers will: state their full name; direct comments solely to the library board members; and speak respectfully. Remarks are limited to topics relevant to Hennepin County Library. The Board does not engage in discussion or debate. Comments will be taken under advisement and may be directed to the Library Director for a response after the meeting.

6. Welcome from Plymouth Staff



7. Commendations
 - A. Briana Eicheldinger, Library Board*



- B. Xaiyo Chang, Library Board*

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8. Election of Officers*

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- 9. President's Report
 - A. Announcements
 - B. Committee Appointments
- 10. 2026 – 2027 Meeting Schedule*
- 11. Director's Report, Scott Duimstra
 - A. Library, Community, and County Updates

12. Library Staff Dialogue

- 13. Committee Reports
 - A. Executive Committee
 - B. Budget Committee
 - C. Policy Committee
 - I. Internet Public Use Policy*
 - D. Friends of the Hennepin County Library

14. Unfinished Business

- 15. New Business
 - A. Resolution in Support of the MINITEX Library Services*

16. Adjourn*

 *Denotes board action item.