

HENNEPIN COUNTY

LIBRARY BOARD

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March 20, 2024, 5:30-7:30 p.m.
Brookdale Library, A,B,C Meeting Room

Library Board Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Attendance of Library Board Members
-  3. Approval of Agenda*
-  4. Consent*
 - A. Approval of Meeting Summary of January 24, 2024
 - B. Donations
5. Public comment
6. President's report
 - A. Announcements
7. Director's report, Scott Duimstra
- A. Library, Community, and County Updates
8. Library Staff Dialogue
9. Committee Reports
 - A. Executive Committee
 - B. Friends of Hennepin County Library
 - C. Budget Committee
 - D. Policy Committee
 - E. Nominating Committee
10. Unfinished Business
 - A. Regarding Public Comment from Speakers
11. New Business
-  12. Adjourn

 *Denotes board action item.

Library Board

Jane Brissett, President | Lynn Stetler, Vice President | Amal Karim, Secretary | Gordy Aune, Jr. | Erin Carney | Xaiyo Chang | Briana Eicheldinger | Michael Hogan | Randy Klauk | Jessica Kraft | Ashley Krohn

Library Director
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Hennepin County Library Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes

The Hennepin County Library Board met on Wednesday, January 24, 2024, at Ridgedale Library, Robert H. Rohlf Meeting Room.

Attendees

Present: Gordy Aune, Jr., Jane Brissett, Briana Eicheldinger, Michael Hogan, Randy Klauk, Jessica Kraft, Ashley Krohn, and Lynn Stetler.

Hennepin County Staff: Kat Debertin, Scott Duimstra, J.R. Genett, Patti Hetrick, Krista Hoitomt, Kelli Koob, Jeannette Lewis, Amy McNally, Ali Turner, and Josh Yetman.

Call to Order

President Jane Brissett called the Hennepin County Library Board meeting of Wednesday, January 25, 2024, to order at 5:30 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance.

Attendance of Library Board Members

Library Board Clerk Jeannette Lewis took the roll call. The Board met the quorum with eight members present.

Approval of Agenda

One amendment to agenda.

Motion: Gordy Aune, Jr.

Second: Lynn Stetler

Motion passed.

Approval of Consent Items

Minutes of November 15, 2023, meeting, and donations.

Motion: Gordy Aune, Jr.

Second: Randy Klauk

Motion passed.

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Public Comment

Public comment was given by two union members.

Commissioner Greeting

Commissioner Debbie Goettel greeted the Board and thanked them for their service.

Welcome from Ridgedale Staff

Patron Experience Supervisor Krista Hoyt welcomed the Board and provided highlights of Ridgedale Library.

President's Report

President Jane Brissett provided updates on meeting room locations for upcoming 2024 Board meetings. Brissett highlighted several HCL events. Brissett discussed trainings available to Board members from the American Library Association.

Director's Report

Library Director Scott Duimstra discussed Library, Community, and County updates.

Friends of Hennepin County Library 2023 Year-End Presentation

Friends of Hennepin County Library Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer Kristi Pearson provided a summary of the Friends' work and contribution for 2023.

Acceptance of Friends of Hennepin County Library Financial Report

Motion: Gordy Aune, Jr.

Second: Ashley Krohn

Motion passed.

Library Staff Dialogue

Library Staff Member Kat Debertin presented the results of the first annual Patron Satisfaction Survey, conducted in 2023.

Committee Reports

The Executive Committee's next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 29, 5:30-7:30 p.m. at Ridgedale Library, Robert H. Rohlf Meeting Room.

The Friends of Hennepin County Library ex-officio Jane Brissett had no update.

The Budget Committee shared their meeting schedule for the year. Meeting dates are Wednesdays, February 21, 4:30-5:30 p.m., August 21, 5:30-7:30 p.m., November 13, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

The Policy Committee shared their meeting schedule for the year. Meeting dates are Wednesdays from 5:30-7:30 p.m., on February 21, April 17, June 12, August 14, October 23, and December 18. The two policies for review at the February 21 meeting include the Library Board Per Diem and Expense Policy and the Reserving and Using Library Rooms Policy.

Unfinished Business

Board Member Aune, Jr. inquired about the Administrative Patron Conduct Policy. Director Duimstra confirmed that the Board would be alerted to when an update to the policy occurs.

New Business

Board Member Krohn inquired about how public comments are considered by administration. Director Duimstra confirmed that he would report back on how personnel matters are handled.

Board Member Hogan inquired about public comment time periods and requested it be a topic of discussion at a future meeting.

Adjourn

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m.

Motion: Randy Klauk

Second: Gordy Aune, Jr.

Motion passed.

Amal Karim, Secretary



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Hennepin County Library funding recently received from the Friends of the Hennepin County Library

Friends of the Hennepin County Library

Current Support - \$300,000

Current Total = \$300,000

Friends of the Hennepin County Library 2024 Support Summary

Current Support - \$300,000

Prior Support - \$200,000

Total Support - \$500,000

events



Cargill Gallery: Voices of the Unheard

Through March 29
Minneapolis Central Library

Visit the Cargill Gallery to view "[Voices of the Unheard](#)," presented by the George Floyd Global Memorial.

This exhibit highlights voices of black youth. It was designed by engaging black students, discussing the events of the 2020 Uprising, and allowing each student to choose a protest sign that resonated with their feelings.

More than 120 youth at Harvest Best Academy, Anoka High School Multicultural Perspectives Course, and Minneapolis Central Library's Teen Tech Center participated. This exhibit creates space to lift the voices of youth through the language of protest.



Lao New Year

Saturday, April 20, 10am - 3:30pm
Brookdale Library

[Celebrate the Lao New Year](#), also known as the Water Festival, by learning the traditions and process of various rituals. Unique customs feature the Giving Alms, Baci-Ceremony along with the Scented Water tradition, and traditional Lao dances.

Presented by Siengkane Lao MN and United Senior Lao American Association.

Sponsor: Friends of the Hennepin County Library.



A Conversation with Anthony Ray Hinton

Thursday, April 25, 6:30pm
Minneapolis Central Library

Join the Mary Ann Key Book Club for an exclusive evening featuring Anthony Ray Hinton, author of "The Sun Does Shine." The author will be joined in conversation by Star Tribune columnist and book club partner Myron Medcalf. The conversation will conclude with a Q&A and book signing with the author.

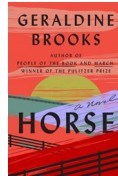
[Space is limited and registration is required](#). The event will be live-streamed and recorded.

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Upcoming Events Calendar – UPDATED 3/4/2024

Friends of HCL proudly presents our nation's most thought-provoking voices in our two events series.

Pen Pals continues its 27th season with ticketed events at Hopkins Center for the Arts, and **Talk of the Stacks** returns with its 2024 season of FREE events at Minneapolis Central Library's Pohlad Hall.



Pen Pals with Geraldine Brooks

Ticketed Event – In-person + Virtual Option

Thursday, Mar. 14, 2024 @ 7:30 p.m.

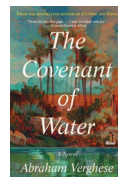
Friday, Mar. 15, 2024 @ 11:00 a.m.



Talk of the Stacks with Tommy Orange

FREE Event – In-person + Virtual Option

Tuesday, March 19, 2024 @ 6:30 p.m.

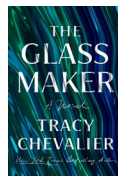


Pen Pals with Abraham Verghese

Ticketed Event – In-person + Virtual Option

Monday, May 6, 2024 @ 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 7, 2024 @ 11:00 a.m.



Talk of the Stacks with Tracy Chevalier

FREE Event – In-person + Virtual Option

Thursday, June 27, 2024 @ 6:30 p.m.

Tickets to Pen Pals events are now on sale at www.supporthclib.org/pen-pals
Free Registration for Talk of the Stacks events at www.supporthclib.org/talk-stacks

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Library Board Schedule

All Board and Committee Meetings remaining for 2024.

Library Board Meetings

| DATE | TIME | LOCATION |
|--------------------------------|-------------|---|
| March 20, 2024 | 5:30 – 7:30 | Brookdale Library, ABC Meeting Room |
| Annual Meeting May 15, 2024 | 5:30 – 7:30 | Edina Library, Meeting Room |
| June 26, 2024 | 5:30 – 7:30 | Brooklyn Park Library, Mississippi River Meeting Room |
| September 18, 2024 | 5:30 – 7:30 | Southdale Library, Full Meeting Room |
| November 13, 2024 | 5:30 – 7:30 | Change of Venue: Penn Lake Library, Meeting Room |

Executive Committee Meetings

| DATE | TIME | LOCATION |
|--|--------------------|---|
| Change of date and time: April 24, 2024 | 6:00 – 7:00 | Ridgedale Library, Robert H. Rohlf Meeting Room |
| June 6, 2024 | 5:30 – 7:30 | Ridgedale Library, Robert H. Rohlf Meeting Room |
| August 8, 2024 | 5:30 – 7:30 | Ridgedale Library, Robert H. Rohlf Meeting Room |
| October 24, 2024 | 5:30 – 7:30 | Ridgedale Library, Robert H. Rohlf Meeting Room |

Budget & Long-term Planning Committee Meetings

| DATE | TIME | LOCATION |
|-------------------|-------------|---|
| August 21, 2024 | 5:30 – 7:30 | Ridgedale Library, Meeting Room 174 |
| November 13, 2024 | 4:30 – 5:30 | Change of Venue: Penn Lake Library, Meeting Room |

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Nominating Committee Meeting

| DATE | TIME | LOCATION |
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| April 24 | 5:00 – 6:00 | Ridgedale Library, Robert H. Rohlf Meeting Room |

Policy Committee Meetings

| DATE | TIME | LOCATION |
|-------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|
| April 17, 2024 | 5:30 – 7:30 | Ridgedale Library, Meeting Room 174 |
| June 12, 2024 | 5:30 – 7:30 | Ridgedale Library, Meeting Room 174 |
| August 14, 2024 | 5:30 – 7:30 | Ridgedale Library, Meeting Room 174 |
| October 23, 2024 | 5:30 – 7:30 | Ridgedale Library, Meeting Room 174 |
| December 18, 2024 | 5:30 – 7:30 | Ridgedale Library, Meeting Room 174 |

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Form of Interest

Library Board Officer

Date:

Name:

Positions of interest (more than one allowed):

President

Vice-President

Secretary

Member at Large

None this year

Year appointed to the Library Board:

Position(s) held:

Please provide a brief statement of interest (enter N/A if not applying this year):

250 character limit

Completed form due to Library Board Clerk no later than Wednesday, April 3, 2024



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Library Board Officers and Executive Committee Members

The Library Board, at the annual meeting, elects Library Board Officers from a list provided by the Nominating Committee. Library Board officers serve a term of one year with no term limits. The [Library Board bylaws](#) provide additional information on the nominating committee and election process.

The Library Board Executive Committee is comprised of the current President, the Vice-President, the Secretary, the immediate Past President and an additional member if deemed advisable by the President. Executive Committee members meet three-four times a year outside of full board meetings. The Executive Committee is a forum for conversation, assisting Library staff in strategically planning Library Board activities consistent with Library Board bylaws and Library mission. Responsibilities may include setting agendas, creating questions for guests, reviewing budget outcomes, outlining new member onboarding, advising on meeting dates and locations, and evaluating board procedures.

Roles and Responsibilities

President, *in consultation with the Library Director*: preside at all regular and special meetings of the Board and generally perform all duties associated with that office, appoint all committees not otherwise ordered by the Bylaws or the Library Board, serve or appoint designee as an ex officio member on the Friends of the Hennepin County Library Board, serves as the chief spokesperson for the library board, ensures that all board members contribute in a positive manner, review agenda and supporting materials prior to board meetings, manage the Library Board budget, authorize Library Board member travel and conference attendance. Entitled to two conference shares per year.

Vice President: In the absence of the President, the Vice President shall preside at all regular and special meetings of the Board and generally perform all duties associated with that office. Accepts responsibilities as delegated by the board president.

Secretary: in the absence of the President and Vice President, the Secretary shall preside at all regular and special meetings of the Board and generally perform all duties associated with that office, notify the members of all meetings of the Board; give notice of all meetings of committees; keep true records of the votes at the elections and of all other proceedings; and attest the records after every meeting by his/her signature; and/or delegate any of these responsibilities to the library staff.



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Form of Interest

Library Board Committee Chair

Date:

Name:

Positions of interest (more than one allowed):

Budget Committee Chair:

Nominating Committee Chair:

Policy Committee Chair:

Other:

None this year:

Year appointed to the Library Board:

Position(s) held:

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