

HENNEPIN COUNTY



LIBRARY BOARD

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June 26, 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Brooklyn Park Library, Mississippi 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 Minutes for May 15, 2024
 - 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. Commendations
 - A. Hennepin County Employee Recognition Awards
 - Disparity Reduction Award
 - Innovation Award
7. President's Report
 - A. Announcements
 - B. Library Board Conference Fund Update


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

Library Director
Scott Duimstra



8. Director's Report, Scott Duimstra
 - A. Library, Community, and County Updates
9. Library Youth Advisory Board Report
10. Committee Reports
 - A. Executive Committee
 - B. Budget Committee
 - C. Policy Committee
 - I. Collection Development and Management Policy
 - D. Friends of the Hennepin County Library
11. Unfinished Business
12. New Business
-  13. Adjourn*

 *Denotes board action item.

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Hennepin County Library Board Meeting

Meeting Minutes

The Hennepin County Library Board met Wednesday, May 15, 2024, at the Edina Library Meeting Room, 5280 Grandview Sq, Edina, MN 55436.

Attendees

Library Board members: Gordy Aune, Jr., Jane Brissett, Erin Carney, Xaiyo Chang, Briana Eicheldinger, Randy Klauk, Jessica Kraft, Ashley Krohn, Lynn Stetler.

Hennepin County Staff: Director Scott Duimstra, Lillian Albrecht, Matt Dahl, J.R. Genett, Emmamarie Haasl, Samantha Jekot-Graham, Kelli Koob, Brenna McElroy, Amy McNally, Ayanna Muata, Christy Mulligan, Ali Turner, Dana Strahnsen, Denise Silva, Ann Woodson-Hicks, Josh Yetman.

Call to Order

President Jane Brissett called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. and welcomed attendees.

Attendance of Library Board Members

Library Board Clerk J.R. Genett took roll call and the Board met quorum with nine board members present.

Approval of Agenda

There was one amendment to refer to meeting summaries as meeting minutes.

Motion: Lynn Stetler

Second: Erin Carney

Motion passed.

Approval of Consent Items

Meeting minutes of the March 20, 2024, meeting, and donations. Meeting minutes were approved with one amendment to add the Secretary's signature.

Motion: Gordy Aune, Jr.

Second: Jessica Kraft

Motion passed.

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Dialogue with Commissioner Debbie Goettel

Commissioner Goettel engaged in dialogue with the Library Board on the role of the Library Board and expectations for its members.

Public Comment

None.

Commendations

Brissett presented Commendations for former Library Board Member Adja K. Kaba to honor her work while serving the Board.

Motion: Gordy Aune, Jr.

Second: Lynn Stetler

Motion passed.

Brissett highlighted library nominees and recipients of two Hennepin County Employee Recognition Awards. For the Excellence in Leadership – Charles M. Sprafka Award, Gail Mueller Schultz was honored as the nominee and Dana Strahnsen was honored as the library award winner. For the Administrator's Award the Mary Ann Key Book Club Team was honored as the library award winner. Mary Ann Key Book Club Team Members include Ehsan Alam, Ellen Buskirk, Gabrielle Clark, Mechelle Fogelson, Erin Glade, Nicole Green, Emmamarie Haasl, Ayanna Muata, Kyle Orcholski, Becky Rech, Denise Silva, Will Sullivan, and Kia Vang.

Election of Officers

Nominating Committee Member Briana Eicheldinger led the discussion in the 2024 election of officers. The committee submitted nominations as Jessica Kraft for Board President and Amal Karim for Board Secretary. A nomination was made for Lynn Stetler for Board Vice President. The Board approved each nomination as submitted.

*Jane Brissett turned the meeting over to newly appointed Board President Jessica Kraft.

President's Report

President Jessica Kraft highlighted upcoming Hennepin County Library events featured in Board packets.

Kraft appointed committee chairs and members.

Gordy Aune, Jr. was appointed chair of the Budget & Long Term Planning Committee and Erin Carney, Xaiyo Chang, and Ashley Krohn were appointed members of this committee.

Jessica Kraft was appointed chair of the Executive Committee and Jane Brissett, Briana Eicheldinger, Amal Karim, and Lynn Stetler were appointed members of this committee.

Amal Karim was appointed chair of the Nominating Committee and Gordy Aune, Jr., Briana Eicheldinger, and Lynn Stetler were appointed members of this committee.

Michael Hogan was appointed chair of the Policy Committee and Gordy Aune, Jr., Randy Klauk, and Ashley Krohn were appointed members of this committee.

Jane Brissett was appointed as the Friends of Hennepin County Library Ex Officio.

2025-2026 Meeting Schedule

The board reviewed and discussed the 2025-2026 meeting schedule for board and committee meetings. The new meeting schedule was approved with one amendment to end all Executive Committee meetings at 6:30.

Motion: Ashley Krohn
Second: Gordy Aune, Jr.
Motion passed.

Director's Report

Library Director Scott Duimstra discussed Library, Community, and County updates. These included service statistics, 2024 Public Library Association Conference highlights, Appreciation of Service events, Mary Ann Key Book Club, and encouraging Library Youth Advisory Board recruitment.

Committee Reports

The Executive Committee's next meeting is June 6, 2024, 5:30-6:30pm at Ridgedale Library, Robert H. Rohlf Room.

The Budget and Long-Term Planning Committee reminded the Board of two upcoming meetings: August 21, 2024, 5:30-7:30pm at Ridgedale Library, meeting room 174, and November 13, 2024, 4:30-5:30pm, Penn Lake Library meeting room.

The Policy Committee had a first read of three policies: Lending Policy, Library Board Per Diem and Expense Policy, and Reserving and Using Library Rooms Policy.

Regarding the Lending Policy, there was one amendment to change the wording of "material" to "materials".

Motion: Gordy Aune, Jr.
Second: Erin Carney
Motion passed.

Regarding the Per Diem & Expense Policy, there was one amendment to change the wording of "check-ins" to "updates".

Motion: Gordy Aune, Jr.
Second: Ashley Krohn
Motion passed.

Reserving and Using Library Rooms Policy

Motion: Ashley Krohn
Second: Lynn Stetler
Motion passed.

Unfinished Business

At the March 20 meeting, a Board member had a question regarding public comment from speakers. Regarding public comment from speakers, Kraft clarified that the Board Bylaws allow the Library Board President to establish the length of time for public comment. This time will be capped at 15 minutes to allow the Board to finish business.

Brissett brought forward the Resolution Regarding Public Comment in response to past discussions. Krohn asked if there are opportunities to extend time if needed, Brissett confirmed the President has the authority to allocate

additional time. Goettel and Duimstra cautioned against changing the length of public comment to ensure all opinions are respected and they highlighted alternate methods of communicating opinions to the Board.

The resolution passed with one amendment to add the date of adoption to the resolution language.

Motion: Jane Brissett
Second: Lynn Stetler
Motion passed.

New Business

Carney asked for clarification on when new committee assignments were effective. Kraft clarified all new appointments were effective immediately.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Library Board is Wednesday, June 26, 2024, from 5:30-7:30 p.m., Brooklyn Park Library, Mississippi River Meeting Room.

Adjourn

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:02 pm.
Motion: Jane Brissett
Second: Gordy Aune, Jr.
Motion passed.

Amal Karim, Secretary



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

Friends of the Hennepin County Library

Current Support - \$400,000

Current Total = \$400,000

Friends of the Hennepin County Library 2024 Support Summary

Current Support - \$400,000

Prior Support - \$800,000

Total Support - \$1,200,000

Hennepin County Employee Recognition Awards

Disparity Reduction Award

Recognizes an individual or team who has demonstrated the ability to put disparity reduction into action, whether in a single domain or through an effort that crosses all domains of connectivity, education, employment, income, justice, housing, and health.

Library winner: Martha Hardy for the Video Conference Room Project

Innovation Award

Recognizes an individual or team who drives innovation in policies, services, and programs to achieve the best possible outcomes for people.

Library nominee: Serena Edinger-Wilson

Library winner: Osseo Self-Service Project, supported by the following staff members – Cindy Anderson, Michael Boe, Paula Connolly, Elizabeth Dammar, Kat Debertin, Reyzl Grace, Amanda Greene, Emmamarie Haasl, Samantha Jekot-Graham, Amy Kennedy Fosse, Patti Hetrick, Paula Huttner, Amy McNally, Elizabeth Menigo, Peter Miller, Sharon Noble, Vicki Quach, Brenda Reeder, Ian Reinl, Steve Richter, Stella Riker, Laurie Stieg, Jenn Straumann, Ann Woodson-Hicks, Chee Xiong, Dillon Young, Kathryn Zimmerman

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Library Board June 2024 Budget Updates

Total 2024 Budget - \$12,000

PLA Conference, Jane Brissett - \$1,933

Remaining Balance - \$10,067

Library Administration

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Upcoming Events Calendar – UPDATED 6/10/2024

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

Pen Pals returns for its 28th season with ticketed events at Hopkins Center for the Arts, and **Talk of the Stacks** continues its 2024 season of FREE events at Minneapolis Central Library’s Pohlad Hall.

Both series offer a virtual option for those who prefer to join from home.



Talk of the Stacks with Tracy Chevalier

FREE Event – In-person + Virtual Option

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



Pen Pals with Percival Everett

Ticketed Event – In-person + Virtual Option

Monday, Oct. 7, 2024 @ 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 8, 2024 @ 11:00 a.m.

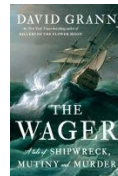


Pen Pals with Rebecca Makkai

Ticketed Event – In-person + Virtual Option

Tuesday, Oct. 29, 2024 @ 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 30, 2024 @ 11:00 a.m.



Pen Pals with David Grann

Ticketed Event – In-person + Virtual Option

Monday, Dec. 9, 2024 @ 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 10, 2024 @ 11:00 a.m.

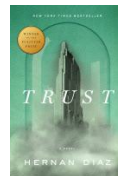


Pen Pals with Ann Napolitano

Ticketed Event – In-person + Virtual Option

Thursday, Mar. 13, 2025 @ 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Mar. 14, 2025 @ 11:00 a.m.



Pen Pals with Hernan Diaz

Ticketed Event – In-person + Virtual Option

Monday, May 5, 2025 @ 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 6, 2025 @ 11:00 a.m.

Full series subscriptions to Pen Pals events are on sale June 24 at www.supporthclib.org/pen-pals

Free Registration for Talk of the Stacks events at www.supporthclib.org/talk-stacks

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events



Cargill Gallery: 1934 & Now

Through July 28
Minneapolis Central Library

Visit the Cargill Gallery to view ["1934 & Now: Connections of the Minneapolis Truckers' Strike of 1934."](#)

This exhibit presents work that connects local labor history, current issues, and the role of workers in bringing social change.

The show coincides with the strike's 90th anniversary and includes banners, photographs, installations, drawings, paintings, tapestries, and video.



Llamas at the Library

June 15 - August 3
Multiple locations

Learn about and lounge with the curious, sociable creatures when Carlson's Lloveable Llamas visit the library. Stories and other activities will also be provided.

Llamas will be visiting more than a dozen libraries this summer - visit hclib.org to search llama events near you.

Sponsor: MELSA (Metropolitan Library Service Agency)



Collective Investigation

Saturday, June 29, 1:45-4:30pm
Saturday, July 27, 1:45-4:30pm
Minneapolis Central Library

Back by popular demand! Join artist Matthew Bakkom for Collective Investigation, a program that celebrates printed matter, chance encounters, affinity building, and the act of choosing.

For each session, a small group will explore Minneapolis Central Library's collection on a specific floor and select materials inspiring to them. Bakkom will guide participants to share the results of their investigations with each other and co-create a document of the experience.

Registration recommended.