

Harrisburg Community Library Board Minutes

Thursday, February 13

5 p.m., Harrisburg Community Room

Roll Call and declaration of quorum. Rob Doyen, Stephanie Bouza, Eve Langerock, Sarah Christenson, Kevin Maxwell (Alderman), Heath VonEye (Deputy City Administrator), and Cheyenne Chontos (Director).

Amendment/Adoption of Agenda. Motion by Langerock to approve the agenda, seconded by Bouza. Motion approved.

Reading and approval of minutes of previous meeting. Motion by Bouzato approve the January 2025 minutes, seconded by Christenson. Motion approved.

Financial and statistical report update. December 2024 financial report. January 2025 financial report.

Library Director/Staff Reports:

January 2025 Attendance:

- 487 Adults
- 447 Children
- 934 Total (in library attendance)
- 46 Phone Calls
- 14 New Memberships
 - 26 Adults
 - 18 Children

January 2024 Attendance:

- 400 Adults
- 352 Children
- 786 Total (in library attendance)
- 74 Phone Calls
- 22 New Memberships

January 2025 Computer Use: 20

January 2025 Crafts and Passive Programs: 170

Public Input: (Comments limited to 10 minutes)

Unfinished Business:

Programming Update:

Previous

- Storytime (1/14) - Adults: 6, Children: 10
- Teen/Adult Craft: Tiny Paint Night (1/14) - Adults: 7, Teens: 8
- Lincoln County 4-H Robotics (1/15) - Children: 6
- Storytime (1/21) - Adults: 2, Children: 3
- Tiny Art Exhibition (1/21) - Adults: 8, Children: 4
- GFP Homeschool Class (1/23) - Adults: 9, Children: 30
- Storytime (1/28) - Adults: 7, Children: 14
- Take Your Child to the Library (2/8) - Adults: 3, Children: 5
- Evening Storytime (2/10) - Adults: 3, Children: 4
- Storytime (2/11) - Adults: 1, Children: 1

Upcoming

- Library Closed (2/15 - 2/17)
- Lincoln County 4-H Robotics (2/19)
- Hot Sauce Shakespeare Challenge (2/20)
- SDHC Speakers Bureau: Dr. Axton Betz-Hamilton – Victim Voices (3/5)

Annual report review: Reviewed and approved the annual report for 2024. Chontos will submit to the South Dakota State Library. Report highlights:

- Circulation
 - 2023 - 41,236
 - 2024 - 49,450
 - 19.92% growth
- Number of Programs
 - 2023 - 33
 - 2024 - 79
 - 139.39% growth
- Program Attendance
 - 2023 - 659
 - 2024 - 1,320
 - 100.3% growth
- In-Person Library Visits
 - 2023 - 12,442
 - 2024 - 14,170
 - 13.89% growth

2025 Goals: Discussed goals for the library for 2025.

New Business:

Swank: Determined that the library should invest in Swank streaming/licensing for one year at the cost of \$550.

Other:

City update: The Board met Heath VonEye, who started earlier in 2025. VonEye was previously with the City of Watertown.

State Library update: The Committee on Education unanimously recommended not passing cuts to the State Library.

Set Date for Next Meeting: Thursday, March 13, 2025 at 5pm in the Heritage Community Room.

Adjournment. Motion by Bouza to adjourn the meeting at 5:45pm, seconded by Langerock. Motion approved.