

Approved by: John Rhode

Date: 1-20-24



**Gladwin County District Library  
Board of Trustees Regular Meeting  
December 16 at 5:00 p.m.  
BOARD MINUTES**

Those attending include: President John Rhode, Vice President Lori Fall, Secretary Barb Lyons and Treasurer Bob Frei.

Trustees: Nancy Bodnar, Becky Miller, Kelly Schaller and Madalyn Steyer.

Also attending: Director John Clexton, Assistant Director Laura Walters, Beaverton Branch Manager Terina Barta and Genealogy/Friends President Barb Curtindale.

Public: Carolyn Hall

**A) Call to Order:**

Meeting called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Rhode.

**B) Pledge of Allegiance:**

Pledge of Allegiance was recited and observed.

**C) Approval of Agenda:**

With a motion by Lyons to approve December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025, agenda with the removal of Mc, supported by Fall. Motion carried with 8 ayes.

**D) Approval of Minutes:**

With a motion by Fall to approve November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025, minutes, supported by Steyer. Motion carried with 8 ayes.

**E) Reports:**

- a. Genealogy- President Barb Curtindale reported. (Full report available on request)
- b. Friends of the Library- President Barb Curtindale reported. (Full report available on request)

**F) Public Comments:** None.

**G) Approval to Pay Bills:**

With a motion by Frei supported by Lyons to pay bills as follows:

PrePaid(s) bills in the amount of \$38,526.09

Payroll(s) in the amount of \$19,335.99

Unpaid in the amount of \$ 9,778.15

With a total amount of bills to be paid: \$67,640.23

Motion carried with 8 ayes.

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**H) Activity Reports as Follows:**

- a. Circulation Report- Director Clextan reported. (Full report available upon request)
- b. Director’s Report - Director Clextan reported. (Full reports available upon request)

**I) Committee Reports as Follows:**

- a. **Personnel:** None
- b. **Finance:** Met via zoom. Clextan reported that discussion included wage increases, budget amendments and they went over the 2026 Budget line by line.  
Frei would like to open a money market savings account once a CD comes due to build interest and will have no restrictions. Board agreed that this would be a good idea.
- c. **Building:** None
- d. **Permanent Collection Review:** None

**\*Break for 2025 Budget Amendment Hearing/2026 Budget Approval\***

Frei made the motion to break for Budget Hearing, supported by Fall at 5:40 p.m.  
 Frei and Clextan created the Williams Fund Budget. The Finance Committee met and recommended line increases and decreases as needed.  
 Steyer made the motion to return to regular meeting, supported by Lyons at 6:03.

**J) Library Break for Budget Hearing**

- a. Discussion -Board discussed budget amendments and the 2026 Library Budget.
- b. Action Item: Approval of 2025 Amendments-Resolution 1216-A  
 With a motion by Frei to adopt Resolution 2025-12-16-A, Amendments of the 2025 Budget, supported by Fall.  
 A roll call vote was taken with the following results.

Rhode-Aye	Fall-Aye	Frei-Aye	Lyons-Aye
Bodnar-Aye	Miller-Aye	Schaller -Aye	Steyer-Aye

Motion carried 8-0.

- c. Action Item: Approval of 2026 Budget 1216-B  
 With a motion by Frei to adopt Resolution 12/16/2025-B, Adoption of 2026 Budget, supported by Fall.  
 A roll call vote was taken with the following results.

Rhode-Aye	Fall-Aye	Frei-Aye	Lyons-Aye
Bodnar-Aye	Miller-Aye	Schaller -Aye	Steyer-Aye

Motion carried 8-0.

**K) Communication:**

- a. Letter on Books by sale at the elevator-Clextan received another letter from Jeff Csernyik regarding the Friends book sale books in the public space of upstairs hallway regarding how messy they are and how the “hockey” kids are making a mess of the upstairs book area. Upon discussion, board deemed it a Friends matter and the President of the Friends should speak to the board if it is concerning.
- b. Letter on Barbie equipment unavailable to public – Clextan received an email regarding Barbie Club equipment not being available at all times. Clextan had a discussion with the Program Coordinator and they came up with a resolution that made everyone happy.

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**L) Old Business:**

a. BAC Lease /BAC Memo of Understanding

The MOU still had the BAC listed as owner but can change the wording to lessor. Schaller will review Lease agreement and Clexton will send it to lawyer for review.

Clexton will bring the Lease agreement to the board meeting in January for signatures.

b. Gladwin Newspapers

Rhode is going to seek approval to digitize the missing ten years of the Gladwin County Record. If approved, he would like to use funds from the Williams Fund.

**M) New Business:**

a. Approval of Property Appraisal Values via MML

Motion made by Lyons to approve the appraisal values by MML, supported by Fall. Motion carried 8-0.

b. Recognition and Gratitude Certificate

Clexton presented Trustee Bodnar with a certificate (created by Curtindale), a beautiful, framed picture and a cake for her years of serving on the Library Board. Happy retirement Nancy!

c. Oaths of Office (Hall/Lyons) -REMOVED FROM AGENDA

**N) Board Comments:**

Board welcomed Carolyn Hall who will be joining and taking the oath in January 2026.

**O) Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Minutes Taken by Assistant Director, Laura Walters, and Branch Manager Terina Barta.