

March Board Minutes

Minutes of Board of Trustees Meeting – Monday, March 2, 2026

Case-Halstead Public Library – Maddux Room, 550 Sixth St., Carlyle, IL 62231

Board Members:

Frank Buckingham, President -P Cheryl Brinkmann, Secretary - P Darren Tracy, Vice President - P Valerie Nolte -P Bailey Ellis, City Council Liaison -P	Tom Frerker, Treasurer - P Karen Jones - AB Stephanie Wilton- P Angie Redeker - AB
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Board Members Absent: Karen Jones, Angie Redeker

Visitors Present: no

- I. Call to Order/Roll Call/ Introduction of Guests
 - a. Meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Frank with the Pledge of Allegiance
- II. Meeting Minutes for February reviewed. Darren made the motion to approve February's meeting minutes and Valerie seconded. All in favor.
- III. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Treasurer's Report reviewed for February. Expenses for February reviewed.

Expenditures reviewed. 66% of the Budget has been expended with 71.9 % of the year completed.

Valerie made the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report with Stephanie seconding. All in favor.

- IV. Library Director's Report
 - a. Utility Reports (included in packet)
 - b. Library Statistics - (included in packet for review)
 - c. YS Report - Grandma Mimi Story-Time attendees for February= 90
 - d. Book Club at CCSC (Cheryl) - 4
 - e. CHPL Book Club - 15
 - f. Young Adult Book Club (Kahre) - 7in attendance
 - g. Library Story Walk - February 26-March 18, St. Patrick's Day story, March 18-April 6, Easter story
 - h. Lego Club - 20's in Attendance!
 - i. Game Night - no numbers presented
 - j. Lincoln Community Conversation 2/12 - 20 in attendance
 - k. America 250 Events - March - 250 for 250 Reading Challenge, Road Scholar, March 26
 - l. Facebook Traffic - 56,731 views in February (up from 48,000 in Jan)
 - m. The landscaping company will start the patio in Spring 2026.

- III. Standing Committee Reports/Other Reports.
 - a. City Council Liaison – Nothing to report

- b. Friends of the Library - met 3/14, will pay for Road Scholar Program in March and plan to donate a bench to the new StoryWalk.

- c. Public Comment: no public in attendance

IV. Old Business:

- a. Tech Grant Update - nothing reported
- b. Policies and Procedures Committee - last revisions completed in 2023. Committee met in late February. Frank discussed items reviewed in committee.

V. New Business:

- a. Memorial Pavers discussed for the West Patio.
- b. Board Game Nights discussed

VI. Personnel Committee – No Closed Session Needed

VII. Trustee Education : Facts File provides a variety of Trustee information –. Serving the Public

4.0 <http://cyberdriveillinois.com>.

VIII. Adjournment at 7:40PM. Darren made the motion, seconded by Tom. All were in favor – meeting adjourned by Frank.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, April 6, 2026 at 7:00 PM.

Meeting Minutes Submitted By: Cheryl Brinkmann