

Kendall Young Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
March 17, 2025 Minutes

The Kendall Young Library Board of Trustees met on Monday, March 17, 2025.

Members present were Steve Vande Zande, Diane Bahrenfuss, Nikki Ehn, and Carol Yanda. Gayette Grimm was absent.

Also present was Ketta Lubberstedt-Arjes, Ann McLaughlin Adam Ganeff, Susan Griffith and Greta Oberender.

The meeting was called to order at 6:04pm by vice-president, Steve Vande Zande. The minutes of the February 17 meeting were approved.

Public Input

There was no public input.

Farmer's National Report – Adam Ganeff

Adam Ganeff presented the Kendall Young Library Trust farm report. See his written report for details.

Diane Bahrenfuss moved and Nikki Ehn seconded the motion to transfer the farm rent of \$495,000 from Availa Bank to the Income Fund at Edward Jones. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Financial Reports and Disbursement of Checks

Nikki Ehn moved and Diane Bahrenfuss seconded the motion to accept the Farmers National Report, the Financial Reports and the Disbursements of Checks. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Carol Yanda moved and Diane Bahrenfuss seconded the motion to withdraw \$175,000 from the General Fund at Enhance Hamilton County Foundation and transfer it to the Income Fund at Edward Jones.

Director's Report

April Programs

- Children's programs
 - Tales Around the Town – Mondays at 5:30-6:30pm
 - Fuzzy Ducklings (Babies) – Wednesdays at 10:30am
 - Wild Things (PreK-2nd) - Tuesdays at 3:45pm
 - Tweens Time (3rd-5th) – Thursdays at 3:45pm
- Teens
 - Teen Lounge is on Tuesdays from 3:30-5:00pm.

- Homeschool Tech is Thursday, April 17 at 1pm.
- Adult
 - Book Club is Tuesday, April 8 at 1:30pm.
 - Evening Book Club is Wednesday, April 9 at 5:30pm
 - Books & Bourbon: Silent Book Club is Thursday, April 17 at 5:00pm. It will be held at Wildcat Distilling.
 - DIY is Tuesday, April 22 at 5:30pm.
 - Where's Floppy is Saturday, April 5 at 3:00pm.
 - Crochet Workshop is Thursday, April 24 at 5:30pm.
 - Free Tree Giveaway is April 25-26.
- Family
 - Early Out Movie is Wednesday, April 2 at 10:30.

Other Items

- Friends of KYL has agreed to sponsor the Adventure Pass.
- Schumacher Elevator Company is nearing completion of the elevator work, with the State inspection scheduled for March 20th.
- Tom Yetmar installed the new TV and is currently repairing drywall throughout the building. He also stabilized the "tree" in the children's department.
- The Library will receive a \$5,000 donation from the estate of the late Betty Letts for books and/or furniture.
- The staff updated our Amazon Wish List with new items for the Library of Things collection. The staff have received several requests to purchase to items.
- The Library received our invitation to the "Night of Philanthropy" event, scheduled for April 8.

Meetings

- Annual Business Lunch (Chamber of Commerce)
- Chamber Board Meeting

Workshops

- Unlock the Power of Travel Iowa's Free Tools and Resources
- Big Talk from Small Libraries
- Open Meetings & Records

Board Training

The Board watched part 1 of "Building Projects 101."

Old Business

A. 2022/2023 Financial Report

Ann sent the requested information to the accountant but has not received a response. She will follow up with him.

B. 2025-2029 Strategic Plan

The Board will meet with Maryann Mori on April 30 at 6:00 PM to begin developing a new five-year strategic plan.

C. Board Self-Evaluation

The Board postponed this discussion until the April meeting.

New Business

There was no new business.

Committee Reports

There was no discussion to discuss.

Other

A. Board of Trustee Election: Application of Interest

The Board reviewed various sample applications. Ketta will prepare a draft application to present at the April meeting.

The next board meeting will be Monday, April 21 at 6:00pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17pm.

Respectfully submitted by Ketta Lubberstedt-Arjes, Library Director