

**Kirkland Public Library**  
**Board of Trustees Meeting (with corrections)**  
**November 17, 2025**

**Board present:** Jean Bauer, Clare Hay, Sally Jones, Marian Termini, Lori Finkle, Becky Lamont, Colleen Kreinbrink

**Board absent:** none

**Others present:** Christopher So, Tina Weaver, Rosie Reintz

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm by board president Bauer.

**Approval of Minutes:** The minutes of the October meeting were reviewed. Lori made motion to approve, Colleen seconded. All approved.

**Financial Report:** Tina Weaver went through the September finances since she was not present at last month's meeting. The balance was \$128,906.02. Then she went through the October finances with a balance of \$122,016.26 on October 31. Frontier Internet service was canceled. Had three payroll days in October. Sally made motion to approve September and October financial reports, Colleen seconded and all approved.

**Director's Report:** For October, 2025.

- Had 144 patrons, 200 items checked out, and 35 requests through Sierra.
- Thirteen attended children's story time on Thursday mornings over the month of October and eleven adults attended regular book club discussion.
- Five new library cards issued-- a few new residents and one rural.

Marian asked about the Trunk or Treat event. Chris said it went well. An undetermined amount of books were given out for different age ranges. Colleen motioned to approve director's report and Sally seconded. All approved.

**Old Business:**

a. Village agreement update-- We still don't have an agreement. Tina presented a list of additional repairs the library has paid for that were not on the previous list. Jean mentioned that "Sale of Library" was on the agenda for the Village Board meeting. This is a concern as nobody from the Village has approached the library staff or trustees regarding such. Tina made suggestions on how we would manage if we were without the financial support of Village ownership. We do not know what Village is paying for insurance on our building. We feel they are not communicating with us directly. We would like to know exactly what they are currently paying for regarding the library. What incited their hesitancy to continue the collaborative relationship? We feel we can manage the typical maintenance other than needing a new furnace or something big like that. We will wait for the village to come forth with a proposition. Sally added that she knows the Village Board had gotten a few bids for updating the electrical wiring for library.

b. Tax levy discussion-- Chris submitted the levy to village.

c. Internet, phone, fax-- We now have Air Cell and a WiFi public access password. It's very fast. We have to pay for Frontier through the end of November, but it has been canceled.

**New Business:**

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- a. New service for digital materials and audio books-- We will start using "Palace Project" app through Eread Illinois to replace defunct Boundless app. Rails asked us to provide a logo to build a profile page on Palace Project.
- b. New Facebook page-- Linda deleted the Facebook page as it was connected to her personal account. Chris will create a new Facebook page, perhaps with new logo. We have no Facebook page at the moment, but will very soon.
- c. Additional discussion-- For Christmas in Kirkland, we offer story time at the Methodist Church with Roxy Holtapp. No crafts are planned. Will determine pay raises for employees and "Appreciation" gifts at December meeting. Chris would like some time to consider whether he wants to be the one to determine pay rates or if we as a board should do it together with his input. Next meeting is December 15. We will also review the bylaws for library operations.

**Adjournment?** At about 6:46 pm, Colleen motioned to adjourn the meeting, Clare seconded. All were in favor and meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by,

Marian Termini  
Secretary