

February 11, 2026 – Approved 3-4-26 - DRAFT-Amended 4-8-26



Whitingham Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes February 11, 2026 5:35 pm

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order 5:35pm.
Note there was not a meeting in January.

Attendance: Director: Kristine Sweeter Trustees: Mark Halverson, Wendy Sergeant, Judy Bernard, Tanya Bernard, Shandell Soumar

Public Comment: No public comments.

Approval of Minutes: Wendy Sergeant made a motion to approve the December minutes. Shandell Soumar seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Director's Report

See attached report.

Discussions

Bingo Event: A tentative date of Sunday, April 19, was discussed. The Board will seek donations and baskets for raffle items and prizes.

Town Meeting Preparation: Preparation for Town Meeting on Tuesday, March 3, 2026, is underway.

Professional Development: Kristine attended a Nonprofit Communication Workshop and reported that it was informative and beneficial.

Old Home Week (July 24–25): The library will participate with both a tent and a parade float. The theme will be *The Wild Robot*, inspired by the popular children's book. Discussion included borrowing a tractor and trailer, as well as decoration needs.

Library Deck & Awning Project:

The Selectboard has approved the library deck project. The Board is now obtaining bids for construction and installation of an awning. It was confirmed that sufficient funds are available in the designated account to finance the project.

Executive Session

Shandell made a motion to go into executive session to discuss personnel-related matter. Wendy 2nd All in favor

The Board entered Executive Session for approximately 15 minutes to address a personnel-related matter.

Tanya made a motion to exit Executive Session and Wendy seconded, all approved – no decisions /votes made

Shandell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:21pm. Wendy seconded, all approved.

The next meeting is March 4, 2026 @ 5:30pm.

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Programming:

Adult Craft Group – 3rd Thursday
Yoga Mondays 6 pm – in person
Book Group 2nd Wednesday 5 pm
Homeschool Group – Mondays 9-12 @ J'ville Church

Specials:

February 26th Pizza & Movie

Finances: 2025-2026 Fiscal Year

- Account balance: M&T Money Mkt: \$75,524
- Deposits: 12/18 \$525, 12/22 \$515, 12/29 \$720, 1/8 \$2705, 1/29 \$235
Total Annual appeal - \$13,225 / Goal \$8,525

Town Meeting Tuesday March 3, 2026

Misc – Kristine

Attended workshop: Non-Profit Communications
Annual VT State Report submitted
Summer performance grant submitted \$350
Library deck, awning request for bid process