

North Wales Area Library Board Meeting
Approved Minutes from December 17, 2025

In attendance: Joye Bramble, Jennifer DiMario, Jeff Ferguson, Pam Gallagher, Megan Joung, Suzan Leonard, Hailey Nelson, Regina Powell, Jocelyn Tenney, Pam Wilson, Yvette Loftus, Friends of the Library representative Yvette Loftus, and Library Director Jennifer Koch

Absent: Tanya Bamford, Jackie Oberholtzer

Meeting was called to order at 6:31 PM.

Approval of minutes: November meeting minutes approved per motion by Joye, second by Jocelyn.

Financial Report:/Hailey: Net loss YTD of 45K but deficit drops to 10K with recent 35K donation from Montgomery Township. December expenses will be around 35K so back to 45K deficit but Jennifer says appeals have been successful so difference may be made up. Pam G. suggests having a finance committee with Board President and treasurer involved. Possible topic for discussion at future strategic planning session.

Budget: 2026 draft budget is presented in the amount of \$395,275.00. Jeff motions to approve, Pam G. seconds. Measure is unanimously approved.

Facilities/Joye: HVAC project is finished. Two hot water heaters also installed. Project ran smoothly thanks to exceptional team and leadership. Waiting on final numbers but expected to come in on budget.

Presidents Report/Suzan:

- Strategic planning session. May have a facilitator.
- Meet and greet with municipal leaders is set for Jan 29, 5:30 to 7 PM.
- Board Officers: Jennifer D., Megan and Jocelyn comprise the nominating committee for 2026 slate of executive officers. Nominees for president are Tanya and Jeff. For VP, nominee is Jackie. For treasurer, Hailey will stay one more year in position if nominated. For secretary, Megan Jeong is nominated. Voting will take place at January meeting.

- Committees? Should the Board have committees now that there twelve board members? Details to be determined at strategic planning meeting.
- Friends of the Library: Friends group met yesterday and talked about how to grow membership and responsibilities. Friends will take over running the Used Book Sales.

Library Report/Jennifer:

- Next scheduled event is Chili cook off scheduled for January 31 but not a lot of support so event may be cancelled.
- Mr. Kirk Fields will handcraft woodwork items for Taste displays.
- PHEAA: Library will receive reimbursement for half of hours worked by students.
- Erb grant: Items for Children's and Teen sections expected to arrive soon and be set up in February.
- \$4,500 in donations received on Giving Tuesday.
- Gala will be held on September 24, 2026. Location TBD.
- Taste: Pam G. will chair the event again, scheduled for Thursday, April 9, 2026 at St. Rose.
- Holiday Marketplace will move back to NWAL in 2026. Library will be closed that day, Saturday, November 7.

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM per motion by Jeff and second by Pam G.

The next Board meeting will be Wednesday, January 28, 2026 at 6:30 PM.