

North Wales Area Library Board Meeting Approved Minutes from January 28, 2026

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

Absent: Jocelyn Tenney

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM.

Approval of Minutes: December meeting minutes approved per motion by Joye, seconded by Tanya.

Financial Report/ Hailey: 2025 summary sheet: YTD shortfall of 28K or so technically but there's an issue with how Givebutter deposits are made so deficit is closer to 13K if calculations are corrected. A small deficit was expected due to heightened expenses like utilities and office supplies.

Facilities/ Joye: Successful completion of HVAC project. Need inspection of fire alarm system. Joye put forth fire inspection proposal. Megan motions to approve, Jeff seconds. No large facilities projects scheduled for 2026, plan is to work on children/teens section.

Friends/Yvette: Discussion on book sale dates for both May and September. Concern over books stored at the Water Authority, not temperature controlled. Suggestion to donate books to Habitat Restore in North Wales.

Board Elections: Voting took place - Tanya was voted in as President, Jackie will continue serving as VP, Hailey will serve one more term as Treasurer, Megan was voted in as Secretary

Presidents Report//Tanya:

- Suzan gave thanks for all the board has done
- Tanya moved to extend Suzan and Jackie's term for 3 more years, and Hailey's term for one more year as theirs expired in 2025. Jeff moved to approve, Jennifer seconds.
- Discussion on MCATO event on January 29th. Food and beverages will be offered, 42 RSVPs received. Both Tanya and Jennifer will speak, along with Beth at MCATO
- Committees tabled for now
- Tanya brought up working with a non profit for help with strategic plan for future of the library

Library Report/Jennifer:

- Taste: Pam G asked for help with brochure - Jennifer said she can help
- Gala: tickets for Joseph Ambler Inn - suggested \$150 VIP/\$100 general
 - VIP open bar/general cash bar
 - Jennifer working with theater to do some acts with Rowan
 - Buffet vs sit down
 - Will need baskets to raffle
 - Suggested having an honoree at Gala - unanimous vote for Kirk Fields and his wife
 - Suggested the Award be named in honor of them. Pam motioned, Joye seconds
- Annual scholarships for \$500 for teens who volunteer at the library - Jennifer mentioned having them write an essay and be honored at the Gala
- Received 30 laptops
 - Cost \$900 to install restore and reboot before they can be used
 - Annual maintenance \$250-\$300 with Horizon Data System
 - Regina motion to approve, Jackie seconds
- Jennifer wants to have a 2 week STEM summer camp
 - \$175/child/week - 1st-6th grade
 - Net of \$5,000
 - 9 am - 1 pm
- SWANK - licensing for movie nights at the library, they have the most up to date movies
- Received a grant of 12 air purifiers
- Reviewed upcoming events

Meeting adjourned at 8 PM per motion by Suzan and second by Joye.

The next board meeting will be Wednesday February 25, 2026 at 6:30 PM.