

Presque Isle Community Library - Board of Trustees	
Meeting Category:	Regular Meeting
Date:	January 13, 2026
Time:	4:00 pm
Location:	At the library and via Zoom
Zoom information:	Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87469892091 Meeting ID: 874 6989 2091

- 1) Call to Order (MK)
 - a) MK called to order at

- 2) Roll Call of Members/Introduction of Visitors (MK)
 - a) Board Members Present: Mary Koster (MK), Christine Wallace (CW), Keith Stanosz (KTS), Joe Kemnitz (JK), Cathy Logan Weber (CLW), Lisa Ruesch (LR), Krista Slemmons (KS); new member to the board as of December 2025, approved by the Presque Isle Town Board as of 12/4/25
 - b) Library Staff Present: Christal Schermeister-Simons (CSS),
 - c) Board Members Absent: none
 - d) Visitors Present: Sarah Krembs

- 3) Agenda Approval/Modification (MK)
 - a) Motion to approve by CW
 - b) Seconded by LR
 - c) All in favor, motion passes

- 4) Approval of Minutes (December 9, 2025) (MK)
 - a) Motion to approve by KTS
 - b) Seconded by JK
 - c) All in favor, motion passes

- 5) Treasurer's report (CSS/LR)
 - a) Income during the month of December
 - i) End of Year Income
 - (1) Collection Development Grant for \$629
 - (2) WLA Membership Reimbursement for \$119
 - (a) Total income from everything for the year without the town is about \$28,000. Town budget contribution was \$76,130.
 - ii) Total income for December \$77,099.71 (with the budget from the town)
 - (1) For regular income like donations, petty cash, interest, etc, income was \$969.71
 - iii) Expenses during the month of December

- iv) December actual \$12,459.54 (predicted was \$7575.62 - end of year FICA and WRS was included for the year; SK had three pay periods; supplies were more than expected; maintenance was also higher than expected
- v) Action on bills to be paid - January
- vi) Motion to approve spending for the month of January in the amount of \$7,575.62 by CLW
- vii) Seconded by KTS
- viii) All in favor, motion passes

b) Final budget for 2025

- i) Appeared to be over with salary - issue was town not reporting what they put in for FICA and WRS so we can put it as a line item in our monthly budget; new town finance committee is going to make things a lot clearer so we have fewer surprises at the end of the year
- ii) Finance Committee told us that the town will cover 85% of the library's expenses.
- iii) Total library expenses due to the town for 2025 is \$15,127.47 (we're paying back 15% of our expenses for the year)
(1) Some questions about this; LR will look into it

6) Library Director's Report (CSS)

a) Art in the library

- i) Patron exhibit not as successful; looking for other options next year for December
- ii) January-February: Fiber Arts - many items on display
- iii) March: need a new plan
- iv) April: youth art month moved here

b) Winter kids' programs review

- i) Low attendance - wondering why?

c) FOL financial updates

- i) Successful year of fundraising, especially after the November update letter through December; Long-Range planning committee can meet about potential projects? Or a group of board members of and Friends?

d) Ongoing library projects

- i) Tutor room materials ordered.
- ii) Looking at potential acoustic panels for basement meeting room, pricing things out and measuring

e) Weekly hours / benefits / contact info

- i) As usual

8) New Business

a) CD update

- i) Reinvested the CD before a December deadline while needed signatures from board members were still in town, got a better interest rate
 - b) Review of paid holidays in Personnel Policy / Operations Policy
 - i) Per state statute, the Library Board can set holidays when the library is closed and the director is paid. The personnel committee will meet to plan for the 2026 holidays (the first scheduled one is Memorial Day)
 - c) Update committee assignments
 - i) Updated doc to have KS replace Kip Decker in the term (up December 2027); Updated Committee Assignments to replace Kip with Krista Slemmons
 - d) Update board contact info sheet
 - i) CW made updated doc; CSS will update with KS information and FOL information
- 9) Public comment
SK just came to spend time with us and say hi!
- 10) Adjournment (MK)
MK adjourned the meeting at 5:25pm

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 10 at 4:00pm

Approved at the February 10, 2026, Presque Isle Community Library Board Meeting