

Minutes of
Kidder County Public Library Board Meeting
February 11, 2026

MEMBERS PRESENT: President Melissa Hochhalter, Secretary Jan Schauer, Judy Landenberger, Serena Schmidt

OTHERS PRESENT: Librarian Annie Craven

ABSENT: Commissioner Charlie Dronen,

Melissa called the meeting to order at 4:03pm. Jan read the minutes from the last meeting. Judy motion to approve and Mellisa second. Approved

Reports:

Annie went over the current budget control and the fund report.

Old Business:

Building projects updates. Annie gave us a handout of the building projects. She walked us through the estimates and explained what has been completed and what will be completed in the spring. We will look at painting the ceilings and hold repair on the walls.

Annie applied for a Dollar General grant for summer reading. They will announce in May. There is a section for technology and she would like a bigger tablet with screen for zoom meetings. It would be portable for so many more options.

New Business:

Staffing. Sandy is having surgery and will be out 6-8 weeks. Annie reached out to a couple people who declined and Annie has decided to fill in for her.

Grants: There is a grant called the Rural Catalyst. It is a matching funds grant. This would be a grant to expand the library to the back. Annie would like to apply for the grant to be able to fund the expansion.

Bylaws: Annie shared the old bylaws that were developed years ago.

Historical Documents at Choice: The documents have been moved to the courthouse. Annie will take some more to the courthouse from storage.

Yearly Schedule: The yearly meetings will be January April July and October. The final dates will be determined at a later date deciding that the meetings will be on the third Wednesday.

Next meeting: April 15, 2026 at 4pm
 July 15, 2026
 Oct 21, 2026

Melissa adjourned the meeting at 5:00pm July motioned and Serena second.

Addendum:

Annie texted Friday March 13, 2026 to ask if we would approve new shelving for the non-fiction wall fiction. We all agreed to have her purchase the shelving.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jan Schauer