

**Kankakee Public Library March 18th, 2025
Board Meeting Minutes**

The meeting of the Kankakee Public Library Board of Trustees began at 5:33pm.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Bruce Conway, Kent Wade, Michael Costanza, Vena Burkes, Bonnie Brewer, Geraldine Adams, Ruth Hatcher

Absent: Mike Gall, Liz Barbosa

Also present were: Allison Beasley, Library Director, Vicki Forquer, Director of Library Resources, Camille Rose, Director of Library Resources, Korie Worth, Business Manager

Review of Minutes: The February minutes were reviewed. Costanza made a motion to approve the minutes and Wade seconded the motion. The board approved the minutes unanimously.

Public Comments: There was no public comment.

Communications: Director Beasley presented the February statistics to the board. The board also received the staff newsletter.

Bills and Invoices and Financial Report: The bills and invoices for February were presented to the board. Wade motioned to approve the bills and invoices for the library and Burkes seconded. The board approved unanimously. The February partnership bills and invoices were presented. Costanza motioned to approve and Adams seconded. The board approved unanimously.

Director's Report: Director Beasley reported the following: the library budget is on target and she hopes to have the next fiscal year budget ready for the April board meeting. The library has been relicensed for the elevator. Supervisor Swale and Thompson have been conducting interviews for their open positions. Latrina Green is the new Outreach Coordinator. Fantasy Con had 400 attendees and next year Supervisor Swale plans to extend it library-wide. Youth Services has been busy with their programming. Teen Coordinator Taya Robertson has been leading scholarship sessions for teens.

Unfinished Business: There was no unfinished business.

New Business: Supervisor Thompson requested the board approve amnesty month for April. Brewer motioned to approve the request and Wade seconded. The board approved unanimously. The staff in-service is set for April 25th; Director Beasley requested board approval for a half day closing. Wade motioned to approve the closing and Burkes seconded. The board approved unanimously.

Executive Session: There was no executive session.

Costanza motioned to adjourn at 6:30pm. Minutes respectfully submitted by Korie Worth.