

DRAFT February Library Board Minutes

The Hand County Library Board of Trustees met on Wednesday, February 25, 2026 at 4:00 PM in the Hand County Library.

Members present: Chairperson Andrea Fiala, Trustees Marianne Peterka, Roxanne Stevens, Mike Donlin, and Mike Anglin, and Library Director Hannah Caffee.

Hannah Caffee brought up the Capital Improvement Plan to discuss next steps. The board discussed a few options for the upcoming years. Hannah will work on gathering current estimates ahead of our next budget submission.

Two professional development opportunities are coming up next month. Mike Donlin made the motion, and it was seconded by Roxanne Stevens, to pay the mileage for Jump Start Summer Reading Program training in Chamberlain on March 10th. Mike Anglin made the motion, and it was seconded by Marianne Peterka to cover the mileage for the South Dakota Library Director Retreat held in Pierre March 29-31. The cost of a hotel room is covered by the program.

Over the past month, Hannah has looked into a program known as Comics Plus. This is similar to Libby, but is specifically for graphic novels. Hannah shared the demo site with the board and discussion was held. Several pros and cons were named, so the board decided to think about it while Hannah asks other libraries about their experience with the program.

Recent and upcoming library programs were reviewed.

Winter Book Club—Met February 19th to discuss *The Many Lives of Mama Love* and will meet next on March 19th to discuss a travel book.

Dr. Seuss Day—On February 28th, Hannah will host a bingo and movie Dr. Seuss celebration. The Miller 2nd Grade class will visit the library on March 2nd for a Seuss story and craft.

Preschool Story Time—Books and Breakfast held in February had 9 participants. March 7th at 11am will be our next Preschool Story Time with the story “No Nibbling” and featuring a special guest (a goat kid).

Book to Movie Club—this event is a result of Reading Dweebs discussions. Books have been ordered with 12 kids signed up to read *Wonder* by R.J. Palacio. They will have the month of March to read the book before we gather to watch the movie in April.

Chess Club continues to meet on Fridays. The tournament is scheduled for May 9th.

Artemis Launch—Hannah is planning a watch party for the Artemis Launch. The board discussed fun snacks including Moon Pies. At the time of the meeting, the Artemis Launch was planned for March 6th at 7:30pm CT.

Paint and Pi(e) Watercolor Class will be held for adults on March 14th at 1pm. The class will seat 7 and Kathy Harvey will be teaching how to watercolor paint pie. We will also have slices of pie available for participants.

National Library Week (April 19-25) with the theme “Find Your Joy” continues to be planned. Hannah has called Dawn Joy about borrowing “Joy” decor for the month of April.

Author Sue Speck and Artist Wayne Porter will be visiting the library on March 12th at 5:30pm. Light snacks will be served.

Hannah announced and shared the new Hand County website for board members to have and share: handcountysd.gov

Mike Anglin made a motion to approve the January meeting minutes. Mike Donlin seconded.

Marianne Peterka made a motion to approve the financial report and bills. Roxanne Stevens seconded.

The March meeting date was set for Thursday, March 19th at 4pm.

Meeting adjourned.

A & B Solutions	#(425) service contract	\$97.72
BDS, LLC	#(428) garbage	\$22.00
Bob's Gas	#(426) propane	\$486.00
City of Miller	#(428) utilities	\$516.53
Ingram	#(426) supplies	\$509.68
Overdrive	#(426) supplies	\$261.48
Venture Communications	#(428) email address/phone	\$200.35

Salary and Benefits	#(411, 412, 413, 414, 415)	\$5869.12
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Hannah Caffee, Director

Andrea Fiala, Board President