

**MINUTES**  
**Cass County Public Library Board of Trustees**  
**Regular Board Meeting**  
**Harrisonville Branch - Meeting Room**  
**January 21, 2026 @ 4:00pm**

*The meeting was streamed via YouTube. The recording can be found on the library's YouTube channel.*

**Call to Order: 4:00pm**

Trustees roll call attendance taken:

Present: Becky Klein, Sherri Peters, Dennis Minich, Diana Larson, Dianne Hon

CCPL Staff present: Library Director Robin Hudson, Assistant Director Leigh Hallenberg,  
Business Manager Lori Schneider, HR Generalist Pat Peel

CCPL Attorney present: Nicholas Purifoy from Lauber Municipal

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approval of Agenda**

Sherri Peters moved, seconded by Dianne Hon, to approve the meeting agenda as presented. Motion passed by majority vote.

**Consent Agenda**

Diana Larson moved, seconded by Becky Klein, to approve the consent agenda, including the regular meeting minutes from December 17, 2025, the financial reports for December, and the January 2026 payables. Motion passed by majority vote.

**Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**Unfinished Business**

None

**New Business**

The Municipal Services Advisory Agreement with Stifel was presented. Discussion followed. Dennis Minich moved, seconded by Sherri Peters, to approve the Municipal Services Advisory Agreement with Stifel as presented. On roll call vote: Klein-Aye, Peters-Aye, Minich-Aye, Larson-Aye, Hon-Aye. Motion passed.

Revisions for Conduct and Performance policies were discussed.

Becky Klein moved, seconded by Sherri Peters, to approve revised Policy #512 Social Media as presented. On roll call vote: Klein-Aye, Peters-Aye, Minich-Aye, Larson-Aye, Hon-Aye. Motion passed.

Becky Klein moved, seconded by Sherri Peters, to approve revised Policy #519 Dismissal as presented. On roll call vote: Klein-Aye, Peters-Aye, Minich-Aye, Larson-Aye, Hon-Aye. Motion passed.

Becky Klein moved, seconded by Sherri Peters, to approve revised Policy #524 Recognition Awards as presented. On roll call vote: Klein-Aye, Peters-Aye, Minich-Aye, Larson-Aye, Hon-Aye. Motion passed.

Becky Klein moved, seconded by Sherri Peters, to approve revised Policy #525 Political Activity of Employees as presented. On roll call vote: Klein-Aye, Peters-Aye, Minich-Aye, Larson-Nay, Hon-Aye. Motion passed.

Becky Klein moved, seconded by Sherri Peters, to approve revised Policy #527 Whistleblower Protection as presented. On roll call vote: Klein-Aye, Peters-Aye, Minich-Aye, Larson-Aye, Hon-Aye. Motion passed.

Becky Klein moved, seconded by Sherri Peters, to approve revised Policy #528 Compliance and Confidentiality as presented. On roll call vote: Klein-Aye, Peters-Aye, Minich-Aye, Larson-Aye, Hon-Aye. Motion passed.

### **Director's Report**

Assistant Director Leigh Hallenberg informed the Board about staff changes, including three new hires, and the current open position of Drexel Custodian.

Mr. Hallenberg updated the board about branch budget approvals, the process of CCPL becoming a fingerprint agency, and the Bookmobile maintenance schedule during the winter months.

### **Director Updates**

Director Robin Hudson informed the Board about a recent grant received, progress on the new Harrisonville location, the Pleasant Hill StoryWalk updates, the impact of the senior citizen tax freeze on the library's 2025 tax revenue, and Drexel maintenance issues.

### **Trustees' Comments**

Becky Klein announced there was a Foundation meeting in January, attended by Director Hudson, who gave an update about the Foundation electing officers, seeking out new members, and reviving the Friends group.

Diana Larson commented in appreciation of the percentage of the 2025 budget spent.

### **Recess to Executive Session**

At 4:45pm, Dianne Hon moved, seconded by Diana Larson, to recess to executive session under Missouri Revised Statute 610.021.1 to discuss legal issues, and Missouri Revised Statute 610.021.13 to discuss personnel records. Klein-Aye, Peters-Aye, Minich-Aye, Larson-Aye, Hon-Aye. Motion passed.

At 5:33pm, Becky Klein moved, seconded by Sherri Peters, that the closed executive session end and regular session resume. On roll call vote: Klein-Aye, Peters-Aye, Minich-Aye, Larson-Aye, Hon-Aye. Motion passed.

### **Actions from Executive Session**

Becky Klein moved, seconded by Sherri Peters, to approve Executive Session Legal Minutes from 9/17/25, Executive Session Legal and Personnel Records Minutes from 9/30/25, Executive Session Legal Minutes from 10/15/25, Executive Session Legal

Minutes from 12/17/25. On roll call vote: Klein-Aye, Peters-Aye, Minich-Aye, Larson-Aye, Hon-Aye. Motion passed.

**Adjournment**

It was moved that the meeting adjourn. This was seconded and passed by majority vote at 5:36pm.

The next regular scheduled meeting will be held Wednesday, February 18, 2026 at 4:00pm.

Approved by the Board on \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary \_\_\_\_\_

Library Director \_\_\_\_\_