



## VGPL Minutes, Feb 16, 2026, 5:30

### **Attendees:**

*Board:* Mary H., Mary B., Kris, Monica, Jim, David W., Melissa Pfeiffer, Joe, Kathleen M., Sam, John T.,

*Staff:* Julia

*Bookkeepers:* Diane Gulseath (outgoing), Dianne Duenzl (incoming).

**Public Comment:** Joe Durlak presented a petition to reopen the 285 Resource Center at the landfill in Lamy.

**Approval of Agenda**—Motion by Jim; Second Joe. Unanimous in favor

**Approval of Minutes:** Motion by Joe to approve, second by Jim. Unanimous in favor

### **President's Report**

- We want everyone on the board to use the board office. There are computers for you to use, to access policies, procedures, and all library documents.
- Finance Committee will meet March 3.
- Executive Committee will meet before next board meeting, TBA.
- Kris is traveling March 20-29.
- Kris introduced Diane Gulseath, VGPL's long-time volunteer bookkeeper. Diane is retiring from the post. She introduced VGPL's new part-time bookkeeper, Dianne Duenzl, who is currently in training with Diane G.
- *Finance Orientation, by Diane G.:* Diane explained the highlights of her Finance-orientation handout.

### **Library Director Report**

- Julia presented her monthly statistics and summary on check-outs, patronage, and financial expenditures
- She is currently bulking up the non-fiction section.
- Julia has been researching hot-spot kits for check out. These help to close the digital divide by assisting those without internet access, such as students, to do research. The hot-spot company is recommended by State Library and will perform most of the management. Julia will craft a policy to guide use.

## **Finance Report—David W.**

David presented the treasurer's report. Our finances are in good shape, including our revenue/expense balance, donations, grants, and savings.

## **Committee Reports**

- **Community Relations**

Joe D. spoke about the success of the latest trivia game at Nuckolls Brewery in Lamy, which had record attendance with 8 teams. The next game is next Monday March 23, 7-9, at the Eldo taphouse.

Speaker Events: Mary Bonilla: She has contacted a well-known journalist who made a well-received documentary on female leaders. This person is willing to speak at the library for an event. Joe and others will follow up on this.

- **Development Committee**

Mary H. said her team is getting ready for the spring appeal, which will be sent out in mid-April. Book Sale team is ramping up for May 7-9 sale. Melissa Pfeiffer is the new Book Sale Co-chair, with Monica. Kris Sefton was co-chair but, as president, is not allowed to chair a committee.

- **Executive committee**

No meeting last month. Kris will arrange a meeting in late February or early March.

- **IT Committee**

No meeting last month.

- **Nominating Committee**

John T. introduced Melissa Pfeiffer to consider for appointment to the Board of Directors. Melissa is a library volunteer and a retired public-health researcher. Motion by John T. to approve appointment, second by Mary B. Unanimous in favor.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** None

**Announcements:** None

David moved to adjourn, 6:35 pm .