

**BEDFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES
February 7, 2025**

A regular meeting of the Bedford Public Library Board of Trustees was held on February 7, 2025 in the Richmond Room. In attendance were Lee Joyce (Chair), Jerry Hanauer (Treasurer), Pam Van Arsdale (Trustee), Catherine Rombeau (Alternate Trustee), Kevin Brown (Alternate Trustee), Miriam Johnson (Director), and Caity Jones (Head of Circulation). The meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m.

Secretary's Report—Minutes from the January 10, 2025 meeting were accepted and approved.

Treasurer's Report— The Treasurer's report was reviewed and accepted.

Acceptance of Gifts –Miscellaneous donations - \$43.00.

Motion: Pam made a motion to accept all gifts; Lee seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Director's Report – See attached.

Old Business:

Budget 2025—No change from the last budget update.

Director Evaluation— Lee will present Miriam's evaluation, due by March.

Local History Policy—No new updates; we are awaiting a response from the attorney.

Trex bench from the Bedford Lions Club— There is the possibility we may be receiving a second Trex bench from the Bedford Lions Club.

New Business:

HB 273—An act relative to a parent's access to their minor child's library records is likely to pass, which will change our current circulation policy and procedures. A discussion of the bill and the effect on circulation occurred.

Susan Curry Fulenwider donation— There was a discussion of the proposed donation. Miriam will follow up with Susan to gain more clarity around the situation.

Bedford Bunny Hop (Bedford Gives)— Miriam provided background information on Bedford Gives and the basic premise of the Bedford Bunny Hop. The library will be participating this year.

The next meetings will be held on Friday, March 14, 2025; Friday, April 4, 2025; and Friday, May 9, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. in the Richmond Room. The meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Miriam Johnson
Library Director

Caity Jones
Head of Circulation