

**Custer County Library Board
Minutes**

February 18, 2026

Custer County Library

The Custer County Library Board of Trustees met at 12:58 p.m. on Wednesday, February 18, 2026, at the Custer County Library. Board members in attendance were Susan Swindal, Kibbon Rittberger, Katie Wiederholt, Cheryl Dillon, and Tracy Fish. Also in attendance was Library Director Sarah Myers and Mark Hartman. Dylan Tramp attended online.

AGENDA CHANGES/CORRECTIONS

No changes

MINUTES

- ❖ **January 21st, 2026 Board Minutes:** *No changes to the January meeting minutes. Kibbon made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Cheryl seconded the motion and the motion carried.*

TREASURER REPORT: *The Board reviewed the January financials for the Library's General checking account. The Board also reviewed the January financials for the County Ledgers. Cheryl motioned to accept the financials, Susan seconded, and the motion carried.*

- ❖ **GENERAL CHECKING:** Balance of \$27,510.82 as of February 12th, 2026
- ❖ **COUNTY SPREAD SHEET:** Balance \$369,762.55 as of January 31st, 93.23% remaining

LIBRARIAN REPORT: *The Librarian Report is attached to and is part of this month's minutes.*

- ❖ Director Meeting Updates
- ❖ Programming Updates
- ❖ Strategic Plan Updates

OLD BUSINESS:

- ❖ *No old business to address*

NEW BUSINESS:

- ❖ **USDA Rural Development Presentation-** *Dylan Tramp from the Rapid City office of USDA Rural Development spoke to the board regarding opportunities for grants/loans to see if they would be an option for the Hermosa library building.*
- ❖ **Annual Public Library Survey 2025 Results-** *Sarah presented the 2025 statistics and data for both Hermosa and Custer libraries for their review.*
 - *Review Non-Resident Fee – Library board discussed that the current amount residents pay per capita to support the library is \$35.33. The current rate is \$35 for non-residents to get a card, so it is best to evaluate this amount next year to see if an increase is needed.*
- ❖ **Status of Hermosa Building Committee-** *The library building was discussed in relation to the USDA loan and building plan options. The actual committee requirements and expectations will be further discussed next meeting.*
- ❖ **Collection Development Policy Revision –** *Sarah presented a revised copy of the collection development policy to incorporate the 7th circuit court for those who would like to escalate recourse to civil courts for reconsideration policies.*

- ❖ Library Board Manual Update – *Sarah presented a draft of the board manual for trustees to start reviewing for final adoption. Documents may be found on Dropbox. Sarah will work on printing a physical copy as well.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ “The Librarians” Film Screening with SDPB- Feb 25th 1:30 PM
- ❖ Director’s Retreat Training- Pierre, SD March 29-31st

NEXT MEETING: *March 18th – 1:00PM at the Custer County Library.*

ADJOURNMENT: *The meeting adjourned at 1:59 pm.*



Sarah Myers
Secretary/Treasurer

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February Director Report

Jan/Feb Director Meetings Updates

- **INP call 2/3**- Spoke with Tara the plan is to get details about the rural development grant, who has access to the county's SAM.gov account, and what the process would look like to apply, what support we would have if it was a loan, etc.
- **CCLF Annual Meeting 1/29**- Janet Rose-Perrenoud is President, Audry Alfson VP, Kim Canete Sec, Donna McConnell Treas. Lots of turn over with Rose Mary and Katherine both leaving. Kim will be up for her term the end of this year.
 - *Friends of the Library* are working on a possible float entry in the Gold Discovery Day parade. It would be wonderful to have board member walkers if you are interested.
- **SDSL Quarterly update**- No legislative update (as of that moment). They will be giving quarterly updates since the state library board was disbanded, they want to get updates out this way.
- **Update from Luci Mile UP marketing** – Answer to questions from talking with Luci, we should be good to proceed.
 - *With the planned upgrades we will get you to the required standard. However, the next release will be WCAG 3.0. It's expected to do a formal release in 2028. Then, there is a several years lag time between official release and compliance standards. The work done this time around will get you through April 2027, at the very least. So, nothing will come out between now and April 2027 that is required before April 2027. There will be years lag in between.*
 - *Sarah will get a formal request to pay Mile Up Marketing for proposed changes to the website.*

Programming Updates

- *Crochet*
- *Cream Puffs*
- *Summer Reading planning underway and Jumpstart training*
- *Magic the Gathering sessions- donation program*

Strategic Plan Updates

- Updated Board Reporting Document in Dropbox
- Shelving training for Friends of the Library 2/17
- Wedgewood visit to talk about Accessible Library Services
- Reconsideration Training for staff