

Independence Public Library  
Library Board of Trustees  
April 16, 2026

The meeting of the Library Board of Trustees was held in the Library Community Room of the Independence Public Library.

Those present at the meeting were Laura Blaker, Robin Bleichner, Quentin Stenger, Deb Clark, Matt Rittgers, Nancy Dodge, Emily Ownby and Jake Bass. Also, in attendance Lisa Lorenzen Associate Clerk.

The meeting was called to order by Robin Bleichner at 6:30 p.m.

A motion was made by Jake Bass, seconded by Nancy Dodge to approve the agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Nancy Dodge and seconded by Quentin Stenger to approve the minutes as written. The motion carried unanimously.

Bills were reviewed. Motion made by Matt Rittgers and seconded by Jake Bass to approve the bills. The motion carried unanimously.

#### Statistics

Facebook total reach for the month of March was one of the highest ever.

#### New Business

##### Technology Plan

A motion was made by Quentin Stenger and seconded by Emily Ownby to approve the Technology Plan. The motion carried unanimously.

##### Internet Usage Policy

A motion was made by Jake Bass and seconded by Nancy Dodge to approve the policy as written. The motion carried unanimously.

#### Unfinished Business

None

#### Park Update

The library submitted applications for the T-Mobile Grant and the Buchanan County Community Foundation Grant. The Go Nuts! Party for the Park is on May 2 from 10 am-2 pm.

### Staff Update

A library page has been moved to the library assistant position and the maintenance position has been filled.

### Board Training

The training covered the labor laws.

### Board and Staff Reports

None

### Adjournment

A motion was made by Jake Bass and seconded by Nancy Dodge to adjourn the meeting. Motion was carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Deb Clark  
Secretary