

**W. G. Rhea Public Library Board Meeting
January 20, 2026 - 4:00 p.m.**

A. Meeting called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Vice Chair Stacy Hayes.

B. Roll call by Secretary, Kelly Derr

Kathy Collins	✓	Missy Hamilton	✓
Jacqueline Mann	✓	Mary Catherine Lowe	✓
Cindy Snyder	AB	Dennis Melhouse	✓
Phillip Davidson	✓	Miranda Moon	✓
Kelly Derr	✓	Sam Tharpe	AB
Stacy Hayes	✓	ORRL: Jessica Gibson	✓

Public Members in attendance: None

C. Consent Agenda

Minutes and Financial Report stands as read and treasurer report filed for audit.

Treasurer's Report:

General Fund Custom Report November 1 – December 31, 2025

Amount available as of 11/01/2025		\$102,013.89
Revenue		\$ 74,418.35
Expenses		\$ 76,857.28
Net Revenue	12/31/2025	\$ 99,574.96

Program & Service Fund Custom Report November 1 - December 31, 2025

Amount available as of 11/01/2025		\$164,793.07
Revenue		\$ 8,095.00
Expenses		\$ 7,479.40
Net Revenue	12/31/2025	\$165,408.67

Balance 12/31/2025 in Checking \$1,207.04; High Yield \$164,201.63;
(Bequests Kirk Ford \$18,723.00 and Helener Kane Currier Trust \$158,824.30)

E. Old Business:

Recommendations for upcoming board vacancies

- Stacy Hayes rolls off board in June. Please send recommendations to Kathy.
- Board needs to be balanced with city and county residents, in line with the current City and County local agreements.

Tre Hargett Directive Update

- This issue is closed. The library received a letter acknowledging compliance in the directive.

Building Plumbing Update

- Building built in 1972 and is experiencing ongoing plumbing issues.
- Robbie to the Rescue was brought in to inspect and found issues including tree roots in the line.
- Because quote is under \$10K, there is no need for second estimates, and this is very reasonable.
- Proposal is to install clean outs, remove landscaping and install a new PVC line for \$4800.00.
- Philip Davidson made the motion to accept this proposal and proceed. Motion passed.

F. New Business:

Pillar Booth Proposal

- The pillar booth is a soundproof booth providing a space for conducting private meetings, for example telehealth calls.
- An anonymous donor has given the library \$7500 to cover the cost of the booth and installation.
- The booth can be set up in the computer lab.

G. Committee Reports: Policy Committee Reports/updates/reviews – Philip Davidson

- The following policies were up for review: Procedure for Policy change, Program Policy, Reference Policy and Citizen Input and Conduct at Board Meetings Policy. There are no recommended changes proposed for these policies.
- The Digital Collection Policy was reviewed and has been amended to add digital resources and terminology updates.
 - Missy Hamilton made a motion to accept the revisions. Motion approved.

H. Director's Report

- The library's Helping Hand Day was January 19th and \$4770.00 was raised.
- The library has held various events which have been successful and well-attended.
- There is a new reading challenge underway by month.

I. Friends of the Library Report

- They are in process of reviewing and updating the bylaws with no major changes expected; just updates to verbiage.
- The spring book sale will run April 7-11.
- The Friends of the Library team painted the restrooms.

J. Regional Directors Report

- Youth Services training next week.
- Annual documents are complete for the year. Jackie and Kathy did an amazing job and everything was turned in prior to the deadlines.

K. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 4:26 PM.

Next meeting date is March 11, 2026, at 4PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Derr

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W.G. Rhea Public Library Board Secretary