

**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
LIBRARY BOARD**

Cindy Redmond - Talkeetna
Julie Endle - Sutton
Chad Scott – At Large 1

Karen Crandall – Big Lake
Laura Anderson - Wasilla
Mark Spohn - Willow

Sally Pollen - Palmer
Vacant – Trapper Creek
Martha Kincaid – At Large 2



MEETING MINUTES

Willow Public Library and Teams

Dial in: 907-290-7880 Conference ID: 993 810 560#

REGULAR MEETING

1:00 PM

FEBRUARY 10, 2026

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Called to order at 1:00 pm

II. ROLL CALL

A. Present: Julie Endle, Karen Crandall, Mark Spohn, Sally Pollen, Marty Kincaid
B. Absent: Cindy Redmond, Chad Scott, Laura Anderson

III. AGENDA APPROVAL

A. Julie Endle motioned to move item IX. A. Officer Elections up to the next item of business, Mark Spohn 2nd. Unanimous consent.

IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

A. Pledge of Allegiance conducted

V. MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETING

A. December 9, 2025 – Marty Kincaid moved to amend the minutes, Mark 2nd. Mark moved to approve the minutes as amended, Julie 2nd. Passed unanimously.

VI. STAFF REPORTS

A. Jillian Morrissey – Community Development Director – Ms. Morrissey explained that agenda is very full and to keep on track. Staff changes were announced, board members were asked to verify their contact information, reminded that all correspondence with staff is subject to public record, packets will no longer include citizen correspondence, LCAC has officially sunset and their work will be transferred to the library board.

B. Librarians

1. Cassidy Drake – Big Lake – explained current programs and events. They have just hired a new on-call staff person.
2. Juli Buzby – Sutton – shared information about current programs and events.
3. Marita Crosby – Trapper Creek - gave an update on current programs and events.
4. Julie Mitchell – Willow - reported on ongoing programs and events.
5. Zane Treesh – Wasilla - provided an overview of current programs and events.

VII. PERSONS TO BE HEARD/AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION – (3 Minutes Per Person)

- A. Jackie Goforth – Spoke about library values.
- B. Mary Fischer – Spoke about citizen tax dollars being spent in the libraries.
- C. Kathy Kyser – Spoke about censorship.
- D. Jeanne Troshynski – Gave her opinion on the board meetings and thanked Hugh Leslie for his service to the board.
- E. Melinda Dale – Thanked Hugh Leslie for serving the libraries and spoke on her support of the libraries.
- F. Carol Goltz – Gave her opinion on the library board.
- G. Dana Raffaniello – Spoke about book censorship and thanked the board for their service.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Items pulled from December list
 1. Brimstone by Callie Hart – voted unanimously Do Not Purchase.
 2. Quicksilver by Callie Hart – voted unanimously Do Not Purchase.
- B. Items pulled from the January list
 1. Flesh by David Szalay – voted unanimously Do Not Purchase.
 2. The Bewitching by Silvia Moreno-Garcia - voted unanimously Do Not Purchase.
- C. Library budgets
 1. Director approved budgets were presented.

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Officer elections
 1. Julie Endle nominated Karen Crandall for Chairperson, she accepted and was voted in unanimously.
 2. Mark Spohn nominated Julie Endle as Vice Chair, she accepted and was voted in unanimously.
 3. Mark Spohn nominated Chad Scott for Secretary, he was voted in unanimously in absentia. Marty Kincaid volunteered as second choice if Chad Scott declines.
- B. February library materials list
 1. Karen Crandall flagged Wicked: For Good Adult DVD, The Devil’s Daughter by Danielle Steel Adult Fiction, Bad Asians by Lillian Li Adult Fiction, The Blood Countess by Shelley Puhak Adult Nonfiction, Haunted Mansion by Ridley Pearson Easy, War Games by Alan Gratz Juv Fiction, My Sister the Werebeast by Aline Tysoe Juv Fiction and Enola Holmes and the Clanging Coffin by Nancy Springer YA Fiction from the Big Lake Library.

- Julie Endle motioned to extend the meeting until 3:45 pm, Mark Spohn 2nd. Passed unanimously.
- C. Possibly dividing materials list amongst members (M Kincaid)
 - 1. Discussion ensued; no motions made.
- D. Robert's Rules of Order, 48:2 regarding minutes content (M Kincaid)
 - 1. Item tabled for March meeting
- E. Possible letter from the board to Legislators recommending and requesting funding to support the Alaska Library Catalog system changes for an automatic opt-in to parental notifications (M Kincaid)
 - 1. Discussion ensued; Marty will draft a letter for review.
- F. Review of the Mat-Su Borough Library Strategic Plan FY 2026-2030 (J. Endle)
 - 1. Clarification on bullet point
 - 2. Documented Authors of the FY 2026-2030 plan
 - Tabled for March meeting.

X. ADVOCACY

- A. None

XI. CORRESPONDENCE

- A. Included in the packet

XII. MEMBER COMMENTS - (3 minutes per person)

- A. Sally Pollen – Asked about the process for final decisions.
- B. Julie Endle – Thanked Juli Buzby and Hugh Leslie and spoke about where she lived growing up.
- C. Marty Kincaid – Thanked Hugh Leslie for his leadership with the board, mentioned the United States 250th anniversary and asked about the collection decisions.
- D. Mark Spohn – Thanked the new board members for coming on and asked about the final decision process.
- E. Karen Crandall – Mentioned the United States anniversary and recommended everyone take their book requests to their librarian.

XIII. NEXT MEETING

- A. March 10, 2026 – Wasilla Public Library

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

- A. Adjourned at 3:23 pm

X 
 Karen Crandall - Chair

X 3/10/2026
 Date

ATTEST:

X _____
 Sarah Thomas - Staff Support

X _____
 Date

*Minutes drafted by staff