

**Ord Township Library**  
**Board Minutes**  
**January 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

**Call to Order:** President Lu Lansman called the meeting to order at 5:27 p.m. Present were trustees: Deb Hansen, Courtney Welniak and Kristi Hagstrom - Library Director. Jill Lane and Steve Klimek were absent.

Lu referenced that the Open Meetings Act is posted in its entirety, in a three-ring binder in the glass cabinet by the fireplace.

**Approval of Agenda:** Moved by Deb to accept the agenda. Seconded by Courtney. All ayes, motion carried.

**Approval of Minutes:** Approval of November 2025 meeting minutes as presented. Moved by Courtney, seconded by Deb. All ayes, motion carried.

**Financial Reports:** Combined balance of the General Fund and Petty Cash for December month end stands at \$11,980.69. Acceptance of the financial report was moved by Deb and seconded by Courtney. All aye votes. Motion carried.

**Comments from the Public** – There were none.

**Old Business**

**Make Christmas Happen** – Another successful Make Christmas Happen for 2025. There were 27 participating families and 66 Elder Angels. The community donated everything needed for the health essential baskets, so other than female products, the purchases were for gift certificates for food.

**Backyard Update** – The StoryWalk display boards have been installed and they hold the first children's book and general information about the backyard.

**New Business**

**Upcoming Events** – After a hiatus over Christmas, the Library has hosted or will be hosting several events during the winter months. Bought back by popular demand is our Mocktails and Masterpieces along with a Book Wreath Project, Heart Garlands and a new Cook the Book series. In addition, we will also host Glow Golf for a weekend and an Escape Room all month long while celebrating Love YOUR Library Month.

**Imagination Library** – The VCHS Child Development Committee is looking at the option of bringing The Imagination Library to Valley County. After a lengthy discussion, it was suggested that we wait for the committee to come to the trustees or foundation before deciding on our level of participation, if any.

**All Staff Training in Kearney** – The Central Plains Library System is hosting a spring training conference on April 30<sup>th</sup> for our area. It has been three years since one has been held. Kristi requested that the library be closed on that day so all staff members may attend. Courtney moved that we be closed on April 30<sup>th</sup>. Deb seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Ord Cares** – The next Ord Cares meeting will be held on Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup> at the Ord Elementary.

**Director's Report** – Kristi presented the monthly director's report, and it will remain on file with the minutes of the meeting. Lu also mentioned at this time that it might be time for some training to keep up the trustees' certification. Kristi will find some training videos for our February Meeting.

**Statistical Report** – The monthly statistical report was presented.

**Approval of Bills** – Deb moved, and Courtney seconded the motion to approve bills for January. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm.

**Adjournment:** Courtney moved to adjourn at 6:20 pm. Deb seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Deb Hansen, Secretary