## **Missoula Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting** **Minutes**

October 22, 2025 6:00 PM   
Missoula Public Library, Blackfoot Board Room and Zoom

Present: Julie Edwards, Megan Moore, Alex Beal, Katy Walter, Janice Nugent, Peter Donaldson.

Megan Moore, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:00pm

Citizen comments on anything not included on the agenda  
 Citizen Comments: None.

Consent Agenda

* + Minutes – September 24, 2025
  + Statistics – September 2025
  + Claims – September 2025

Janice noticed that materials circulation went down 17% between this year and last year and that we should keep an eye on this.

Julie and Alex had minor notes on the minutes that Peter corrected and will send to Slaven.

Approved.

Citizen Comments: None

Director’s Report

* + Slaven is presenting at a conference in Korea. No report this month.

New Business

* + Holidays and closed days 2026. Janice had a question about the day for training. Alex asked if we had to vote on holidays. Board voted and approved.
  + Proposal meeting date for November. New date November 19th to avoid the Wednesday before Thanksgiving. This meeting will be scheduled for two hours to go over the policy document. This meeting will go over if necessary.
  + December meeting. We can meet on December 17th or skip this meeting. Janice asked if we can wait to cancel the meeting until we see how far we get through the policy at the November meeting. We will skip the meeting in December unless something comes up that requires the board to gather.

### Unfinished Business

* + Policy Manual. Discussion moved to November meeting. Alex suggested a subcommittee going through the document before the meeting. Megan and Alex will do that and bring major points to the board at the November meeting.
  + Program Attendance. Julie attended a community concert in October that was great. Lots of kids performing all kinds of music, including with professional musicians. It was great.

September - Megan

October - Alex

November - Peter

December - Katy

January - Megan

February - Julie

March - Janice

April - Alex

May - Katy

June - Peter

July - Julie

August - Janice

* + Board Training. The board discussed the decision of the Fifth Circuit Court ruling that library books are government speech and therefore the government has a First Amendment right to decide what is in libraries.

Citizen Comments: None

**Next meeting will take place at the Missoula Public Library and online: November 19, 2025.**

Megan adjourned the meeting at 6:35pm

Respectfully submitted by:

Slaven Lee, Director Date

Julie Edwards, Co-Chair of the Trustees Date