

CARVER COUNTY LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

Our Mission

To best serve the Carver County community, the library will be a provider of resources, spaces and experiences that enrich and empower people's lives.

January 13, 2026

Victoria City Hall Council Chambers

4:30 p.m. Regular Library Advisory Board Meeting

Board members present: Orn Bodvarsson, Wendy Eggers, Sarah Duffey

Library staff present: Jodi Edstrom (Director), Patrick Jones (Chan/Vic Manager), Kevin Spencer (Chaska Manager)

Public: Dana Hardie (Victoria City Manager), Jim Weygand

MINUTES

1. Call to Order (Quorum: 3)

4:31 Bodvarsson – no quorum

2. Agenda Review and Adoption

Reviewed – no quorum

3. Approval of the Minutes of the November 18, 2025 meeting

Reviewed – no quorum

4. Public Comment/Introduction of Visitors:

4.1 Public Input

All meetings of the Library Board are open to anyone who may wish to observe the proceedings.

Non-board members who wish to address the Board will be given the opportunity in the public forum for which time will always be designated within the agenda

Edstrom – Shared thanks from now-retired board member Charles Teh.

Jones – Shared extended access user survey results.

4.2 City of Victoria Guest – City Manager, Dana Hardie

New fire station will be complete in June, new developments in downtown, west. and south of town.

4.3 Team Update – Adult Services

Last year 374 programs, 29274 participants, 38% increase from 2024. Winter Reads is currently under way.

5. Action Items:

5.1 Election of Officers

Postponed – no quorum

5.2 Program Incentive Increase Request

Postponed – no quorum

6. Unfinished and New Business

6.1.

Edstrom – Library Legislative Day at the Minnesota Capital is February 25th. Commissioner Anderson will attend with Jodi. Orn expressed interested in attending.

7. Administrative Reports

7.1 Executive Summary – Jodi Edstrom

This will replace the budget report previously submitted. It will provide more of a synopsis.

7.2 Library Director- Jodi Edstrom

Edstrom – Conversations have begun with Norwood Young America for Extended Access expansion.

~~7.3 Division Director – Nick Koktavy~~

8. Trustee & Commissioner Reports

8.1 Chanhassen and Victoria Libraries-Wendy Eggers

Jones – Highlighted Kao Kalia Yang author visit, successful Friends of the Library book sale, Communities of Belonging partnership, the retirement of the Victoria Express Library, and Noon Year's Eve celebration.

8.2 Chaska Library- Orn Bodvarsson

Spencer – Highlighted 200+ interactions with Chaska HS students, Hometown Holiday book sale/craft/music performance, completed 67 notary services since August.

8.3 Norwood Young America Library- Stacie Lindquist

8.4 Waconia and Watertown Libraries-

Edstrom – Highlighted damaged book drop, Noon Year's Eve celebrations

~~8.5 Library Foundation of Carver County-Stacie Lindquist~~

9. Correspondence/Additional info:

10. Media Packet-attached

10.1. November and December 2025 press (enclosed)

11. Adjournment

5:51 Bodvarsson

Submitted by Kevin Spencer