

CARVER COUNTY LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD

April 14, 2026 Chanhassen Library, Longfellow Room 4:30 p.m.

Board Members Present: Orn Bodvarsson, Michelle Bachmann, Commissioner Lisa Anderson, Wendy Eggers, Amber Barker, Sarah Duffey

Staff Present: Nick Koktavy (County), Jodi Edstrom, Patrick Jones, Kevin Spencer, Margot Barry, Bob Lincoln, Kate Hull (County)

- 1. Called to Order** 4:30pm - Bodvarsson
- 2. Agenda Review and Adoption** - approved Bachmann, Eggers
- 3. Approval of amended Minutes of the March 10, 2026 meeting** – approved Bachmann, Barker
- 4. Public Comment /Introduction of Visitors**
 - 4.1 Community Member suggested the addition of more children’s materials beyond English and Spanish
 - ~~4.2 City of Chanhassen~~
 - 4.3 Bob Lincoln Tech Team Update
 - 2 Year Renewal Sirsi Dynix Integrated Library System
 - 2 Year Itiva telephone
 - 1 yr T-Mobile renewal for 83 hotspots
 - Extended Access
 - Vendors - Bibliotheca, Bluum Technology, Affinitech
 - Single server for all branches.
 - June 1, 2026 Go Live in NYA
 - Contracts now complete
 - Purge of unused patron accounts
 - Keeps database clean and saves money
 - Based on activity
 - MELSA OverDrive Project
 - Security
 - Better service and connectivity
 - Replacing Old Wyze Terminals
 - WebEx Phones implemented
 - Physical phones remain in public desks
 - Physical phones removed from staff desks
 - Fax Lines Updated

- ADA Accessibility Title II
 - April 24 Web and Mobile Accessible
 - On the books since 1995; now being enforced
 - World-Wide Standard
 - Never perfect, but document the progress
 - Required to keep link to accessibility statement – up to date in Universal Standard
- eRate – internet and fiber rates
 - applied for unique entity id (Sam.gov)
 - New billing for government
 - Can submit RFQ now
- Updated unique proxy
- Updated 26 databased with easy proxy
- Tech Support 2.0 – aligns tech support of library with needs of staff and libraries
 - Easier for county IT to manage
- Instituted bounce back system for email
- Dashboard to monitor databases to let us know when databases are b is offline
- 10-20000 emails per day sent
 - Reduced bounce back from 20/per to couple per week.
- Quarterly meetings with Sirsi consultants
- CORE Team (est. 2020)
- Fine Free in 2025
- New public PCs
- 65 new monitors
 - Relationship with DELL
- New Verifone terminals
- Virtual Library Program – 6000+ students
 - System is now more automated.
 - WC 6-12
 - Working to automate WC
 - Central Lakes Interested
- Looking to have a library card drive to convert Digital Card to physical card

5. Action Items

5.1 Policy Review

5.1.1. Collection Development Policy added language about AI. Approved Eggers, Bachmann

5.1.2. Request for Reconsideration of Program form revisions. Approved Barker, Eggers

5.2 Accept 2025 State Report on Carver County Library system. Approved Bachmann, Eggers

6. Unfinished and New Business

6.1 Library Board Photo – taken after meeting adjourned.

7. Administrative Reports

7.1 Executive Summary

- New Accountant for public services
- 2027 Budget Process in the works
- STOC Budget is on track
- 8003 – overbudget data processing = subscription-based computing increasing in cost

7.2 Library Director

- PLA Conference participation - 22 Staff, two Board members, and Commissioner Anderson, attended
- MELSA Funding Confirmed for EA process next three years

7.3 Division Director

- New Chaska Library project updates
 - City of Chaska came to board session on new library March 24
 - Two Committees formed – Library Task Force (one county Commissioner), Staff Design Force (Jodi, Kevin, and Nick)
 - 10000 Square feet to 25000 square feet
 - 2026 Design and Community Input
 - 2028 Construction (Including Extended Access)
 - 2029 Move In
- 2027 Budget Process
 - Looking to State and Federal Government decisions/actions

8. Branch Reports

8.1 Chanhassen and Victoria - Patrick Jones

8.2 Chaska – Kevin Spencer

8.3 Norwood Young America, Waconia, Watertown – Margot Barry

9. Correspondence/Additional Info

9.1 Commissioner Lisa Anderson posed the following strategic question:

- Are we one unified library system or are we six separate libraries?
 - The next library strategic plan will be influenced by the answer to this question.

10. Media Packet

11. Adjournment 5:49 pm Bachmann, Eggers