

Lincoln County Library System

Board of Trustees Meeting, January 15, 2026

1:00 p.m. – Lincoln County Library – Kemmerer, Wyoming

The meeting was called to order at 1:01 p.m. by Chairperson Bluemel. Present were Board of Trustees members - Anne Bluemel, Gayle Chadwick (via video-conference), Jean Kelley (via video-conference), Rosalie Tratnik and Ann Willford; Director - Missy Harris and Operations Manager - October Dunford.

Chairperson Bluemel asked if there were any changes to the agenda or to the minutes of December 18, 2025. There were no changes. The agenda and minutes were approved by consensus.

Acceptance of Bills

It was moved to accept the end of month December 2025 vouchers in the amount of \$128,993.15 and January 2026 vouchers in the amount of \$31,401.46 (Willford/Tratnik); Motion carried.

Action Items

None

Discussion Items

FY26 Strategic Plan

Highlights from the Strategic Plan goals:

- GOAL #1: Participate in community events to promote library services and resources.
 - Cokeville partnered with the Town of Cokeville to host Santa at the Library. This event was partially funded by the United Way grant.
 - La Barge participated in a community event, Christmas Bazaar, which was hosted by the Town of La Barge.

County Audit

The 2025 Lincoln County Audit was completed by Jones Simkins LLC and presented to the County Commissioners in December.

Astoria Park Conservancy

We are pleased to announce that the Astoria Park Conservancy will continue its partnership with the Lincoln County Library System, providing five free passes each week through the end of 2026. This allows patrons free access to Astoria Park and its programs. In 2025 alone, the passes were used 213 times, showing strong community interest and impact.

FY26 County Budget Survey

The FY26 County Budget Survey and accompanying comments collected by the Wyoming State Library, along with the December 2025 *Outrider* publication, were provided for informational purposes. These materials show whether libraries across the state have been impacted by recent budget changes and describe the extent of those impacts.

Facilities

Cokeville Branch: The replacement of the front entrance carpet squares by DJ's Glass is expected to take place by the week of January 26, 2026.

Budget Meeting

Director Harris and Board Chairperson Bluemel will attend a budget meeting with Chief of Staff Stephen Allen on January 26, 2026, to discuss the upcoming FY27 and potential impact to the library's budget.

Upcoming events were noted.

Financial statements, Branch Managers and Youth Service Librarians reports were reviewed.

Chairperson Bluemel asked if there were any public comments. There were none.

It was moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:48 p.m. (Kelley/Willford); Motion carried.

Submitted by

Date

Anne Bluemel, Chairperson

Date

Ann Willford, Treasurer

Date