

Grand County libraries: linking people to boundless opportunities

GRAND COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Regular Meeting, June 17, 2025
5:30 PM

Location: Juniper Library or Zoom
Meeting ID: 863 4751 3182
Passcode: gMNz7j

MINUTES

Trustees: Jeremy Krones, Jen Goertz, Alan Walker, Darcy Schlichting, Laura Jones, Jennifer Tibbetts, Erika Cohen

Staff: Mary Ann Degginger, Tara Thompson, Chris Newell, Sue Luton

Public: Deric Duerst

5:30 p.m.

- I. Call to Order and Consideration of Trustee Absences
Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Jeremy Krones.
- II. Amendments to the Agenda
Alan Walker requested an update on the Kremmling Library project. Item F will be added to the agenda. There was no opposition to this request.
- III. Approval of the Agenda
Motion to approve the agenda as amended to include Item F.
Alan Walker motion; Laura Jones 2nd
All approve

5:35 p.m.

- IV. Consent Agenda:
 - A. May Regular Meeting Board Minutes
Mary Ann Degginger should be added to the staff attendance section.
 - B. Correspondence - none
 - C. May Budget to Actual and Balance Sheet
Motion to approve the consent agenda with amended Minutes.
Darcy Schlichting motion; Jennifer Tibbetts 2nd
All approve

5:40 p.m.

- V. Reports
 - A. Friends of the Grand County Library, Inc.
No report
 - B. Grand County Library Foundation
No report
 - C. Public Comment
None

5:45 p.m.

- VI. Information Items
 - A. Juniper Library Director Report
Sue Luton, branch manager, reported on things happening at the library. Staff commented that it's fun to see families working together - young children through grandparents helping each other learn how to use the library. Juniper Library truly serves as the welcome wagon for town events and visitors.

B. Review by Executive Director of May GCLD Department Highlights & Statistics

Summer programming has ramped up and staff are busy around the county. Degginger gave an executive summary of the events, program highlights, and statistics for the month of May.

Meeting Calendar

- a) July 15 at Hot Sulphur Springs Library
- b) August 19 at Kremmling Library
- c) September 16 at Granby Library

C. ReThinking Libraries Discussion

Rob Cullen and Wells Squire gave the June update about the Community Needs Assessment & Facility Master Plan project. July's meeting will provide detailed capital budgetary recommendations. A near-final draft report will be ready for the August meeting. Rob and Wells fielded questions from Trustees.

D. Sunsetting Mill Levy Presentation

Thompson presented a mill levy analysis and explained the processes required to put a ballot initiative forward in November. A Resolution will be required by the July Board meeting to move forward with a ballot initiative if it is deemed necessary. Property values have spiked in Grand County leading to an excess revenue compared to what was anticipated. Trustees discussed scenarios and asked questions about revenues and projected expenditures moving forward. The Finance Committee will discuss the mill levy option during their meeting on July 7 and provide a recommendation.

E. Board Training Opportunities Discussion

Krones presented an idea for training being offered by the American Library Association. If an opportunity arises that has an expense attached, please reach out to staff so funding can be considered. There was a request for more virtual training opportunities. Input from Trustees was solicited to gauge interest in future professional development.

F. Kremmling Library building project update

There has been engagement with realtors in Kremmling. There is nothing new to report regarding land acquisition. Trustees discussed the project and the need to work diligently to make progress on the plans. Recommendations and ideas were shared about ways to drive the process forward. There was agreement that we need to be proactive and consider a project coordinator to manage the actual building project. Land acquisition is a priority.

Degginger was asked to have an official report available for the July meeting regarding land acquisition so that Trustees can make decisions moving forward.

7:55 p.m.

VII. Action Items

8:00 p.m.

VIII. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.