

**Lydia Taft Pratt Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
February 9th, 2026**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Lyle Holiday at 11:07am. Attending the meeting were Linda DeCarlo-Burns, Stacy Bryck, Stacey Kripp, and Dave Schottland.

Additions to Agenda

None

Recognition of Visitors

No visitors

Approval of Previous Minutes

A motion was made by Dave to approve last month's minutes, which was seconded by Lyle, and the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report

a. Budget Report

Building Cleaning – A motion was made by Linda for the library to absorb the cost of having all three rooms of the main floor cleaned every week, which was seconded by Dave, and the motion passed. Linda will email Melody Stone to let her know that she should clean the big meeting room, in addition to the two library rooms.

b. Warrant Approval

Dave made a motion to approve the most recent warrant, which was seconded by Lyle, and the motion passed.

Librarian's Report

The Librarian's Report can be found at the end of this document.

Old Business

a. Annual Appeal Thank You's

A few more donations have come in, and thank you letters will be sent out.

b. Library Hours

- For the rest of winter the library will close at 6:00 on Tuesdays.

c. Cleaning the Building

- Addressed during the budget discussion.

New Business

- a. Review of Bylaws

The board will have to wait until Town Meeting to vote on the new name of the organization.

- b. Town Meeting Prep / Handout with Statistics
The board discussed putting together a two-sided informational handout for Town Meeting.
- c. Calendar
 - A library Google calendar has been set up by Stacey.
 - A state report is due at the start March. Stacey will write this with some help from the board.
 - There is a small grant for the Summer Reading Program, which Stacey will apply for.
- d. Committees Moving Forward to Ensure DCC Continues Uninterrupted
If the town votes in favor of merging the library board and DCC board, the board members will work with committees as follows:
 - Building Committee – Lyle
 - Budget Committee – Linda
 - Event Coordination – Dave
 - Fundraising Committee – Stacy
- e. Executive Session: Interviews
At 12:30 the board entered Executive Session, and at 2:45 the board exited Executive Session. No decisions were made.

The next library board meeting will be on **Wednesday**, March 11th at 11:00am.

LYDIA TAFT PRATT LIBRARY LIBRARIAN’S REPORT

Report to the February 8th , 2026 Trustees Meeting Statistics for Jan 3rd-Jan 31st

	Jan 3rd-Jan 31st
Library Visits	
Adult Visits	115
Children Visits	33
Total Visits	148

● **Materials Circulation: 96**

Programs	Jan 2nd-Jan 31st:	
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Sensory Play	6	
Magic: the Gathering Play and learn Club	16	
Book Club	5	
Total program attendance	27	
Total Checkouts (overdrive/libby)	188	
eBooks	110	
Audiobooks	78	
Users		

Narrative:

- ● Transitional period for January
- ● Lots of happenings at the library in February, listed in newsletter, resume
 cookbook club, continue other programs sensory play, mtg, cookbook club,
 possible school vacation programs