

**Montello Public Library
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
January 13, 2026**

Unapproved until February 10, 2026 meeting

Attendance: Linda Quinn, Jackie Anderson, Director Klapper, Mindy Johnson-Roidt, Venise Mugler, Marilyn Merrill

Absent: Hannah Zellmer, Barb Church

Meeting called to order at 5:00 by Vice President Anderson

Last month's meeting minutes: Motion to approve by Johnson-Roidt, second by Mugler. Motion carried.

Expenditures: Annual bills presented for payment. Winnefox bills are one-time payments for the year. Motion to approve expenditures by Mugler, second by Merrill. Motion carried.

Circulation Statistics: Stats show good attendance, circulation and demand for services in December.

Friends Report: Winter jelly fundraiser (Armbrusters) yielded \$120 for Friends group so far. Blitzzen's Bookstore event at the Legion was great with about 40 kids wrapping books for presents; great feedback on this event. Next meeting in April (only 3 meetings per year now).

Director Update:

- Director applied for PLA conference grant but did not get it, she will look into other grants for this conference in Minnesota this year and other sources of funds to pay for.
- Tax forms coming in soon
- Annual report should be ready for review at next month's meeting
- Fire inspection sent fine, no issues
- Winter reading challenge continues, many families participating
- Weekly story time attendance has been spotty with illness and weather issues in December
- Ordering seeds for the seed library, this program had good response a couple years ago
- Working on picking out story trail books
- Director is researching performers for the summer, but many have increased their prices so she is working on combining with other libraries to hire for a joint event

Old Business: none

New Business: none

Trustee Reports/comments: none

Handouts: none

Next Meeting: February 10, 2026, 2026 5pm

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Quinn, Secretary