

Rochester Public Library

Board of Trustees – Meeting Minutes – January 13, 2026

In attendance: Lauren Scogin (Board Chair), Barbara Shenton (Treasurer), Maya Newroot (Library Director), Natalie Cassidy (Secretary), Melody Balczon, Vincent Martinez

Meeting called to order at 5:35pm

- I. Public Communications and Comments—no comments
- II. Board Communications and Comments — Member of Valley Hub group contacted us RE: triangulating between library, Hub, and Pierce Hall
- III. Approval of 11/11/25 Meeting Minutes— approved as presented
- IV. Review of Action items
 - a. Lauren will get in touch with town RE: appropriation of 2nd half of library funds.
 - b. Vincent continues work on Google doc with LIAP and info RE: dance night.
 - c. Melody attended selectboard meeting to alert them of grant opportunities and Library needs.
- V. Treasurer’s Report—accepted as presented
- VI. Librarian’s Report— accepted as presented
- VII. New Business
 - a. WRCU is now called 802 Credit Union, new cards en route.
 - b. Resumed Dance Night planning/discussion.
- VIII. Old Business
 - a. Library policy updates accepted as presented.
- IX. Action Items
 - a. Melody to ask how library budget is included or excluded from town budget municipal status at next selectboard meeting.
 - b. Maya to look into logistics of dance party event, remaining board will familiarize themselves with plans in Google doc.
- X. Adjournment

Next scheduled meeting is Tuesday February 10th, 2026 at 6:16 PM upstairs in the library.

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Respectfully submitted— Natalie Cassidy, Secretary