

Ramsey County Library Advisory Board Meeting

January 21, 2026

Ramsey County Library – White Bear Lake

2150 2nd Street, White Bear Lake, MN 55110

LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD PRESENT: Sandy Doubek, Megan Jacoby, Marissa Kirby-Stofferahn, Alex Kovarik, Kami Miller.

NOT PRESENT: Molly Jansen, Andrea West.

STAFF PRESENT: Ray Lockman, Library Deputy Director; Pang Yang, Library Director.

CALL TO ORDER

Kirby-Stofferahn called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

ANNUAL MEETING

Elections

a. Chair

Miller made a motion to nominate Kirby-Stofferahn as Board Chair. The motion passes unanimously.

b. Vice Chair

Kirby-Stofferahn made a motion to nominate Miller as vice chair. The motion passes unanimously.

Ramsey County Library Advisory Board Bylaws.

Discussion of whether Article 4 is standard board language. Staff confirms and adds that the language is revisable. No edits proposed to bylaws.

2026 Library Board Schedule.

Board discusses 2026 meeting schedule and locations. Board agrees that location will rotate until they have visited all branches once, then meet at Shoreview thereafter. Kirby-Stofferahn made a motion to cancel December and July due to library and board member schedules. Miller seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

ADJOURN

Kirby-Stofferahn made a motion to close annual meeting. Miller seconded the motion, which passes unanimously.

JANUARY MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Kirby-Stofferahn called the meeting to order at 6:56 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of the January Agenda

Kirby-Stofferahn moved to approve agenda. Miller seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Approval of 2025 November Meeting Minutes

Kami Miller moved to approve minutes. Doubek seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Acceptance of Gift Funds

Miller moved to approve 2025 Gifts. Jacoby seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Racial Equity with Ramsey County Boards and Committees

Angie Guenther, Ramsey County Race and Health Equity Administrator, and Nicole Beane, Ramsey County American Indian Relations Administrator, led a training informing board members of county history and the legacy of racism in resident outcomes.

Library Director's Report

Yang shared the January staff updates with the Library Advisory Board, highlighting the enactment of the 2026-27 budget, the retirement of two key staff members, the results of the Ramsey County Food Drive hosted by Ramsey County Library at the end of 2025, a well-deserved staff award, and how current events can impact library staff and patrons.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 8:23.