

Ramsey County Library Advisory Board Meeting

March 18, 2026

Ramsey County Library – Maplewood

3025 Southlawn Drive Maplewood, Minnesota 55109

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

NOT PRESENT: Molly Jansen.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Melissa Nykanen, Executive Director, Ramsey County Library Friends.

CALL TO ORDER

Kirby-Stofferahn called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of the March Agenda

West moved to approve agenda. Miller seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Approval of January meeting minutes

Miller moved to approve minutes. Doubek seconded the motion. West, abstained. The approval of meeting minutes goes through with a majority vote.

Approval of the 2025 Ramsey County Library State Report

Director Yang presented on 2025 data to be submitted to state per statute, comparing to 2024 data to illuminate possible trends. Director Yang requests approval to authorize the Library Board Chair and the Library Director to sign and submit the 2025 Minnesota Public Library Annual Report Approval Form to the Office of State Library Services as mandated by statute. West moved, Doubek seconded the motion, which passes unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Ramsey County Library Advisory Board Bylaws and Evaluation

Deputy Director Lockman facilitated a Stop Start Continue exercise to discuss underlying values and approaches as well as the language and content of Board Bylaws.

Library Advisory Board Round Table

Members shared library-related news and anecdotes since the last meeting, including enjoyment of the Libby app and the Kindergarten Card Party.

Library Director's Report

Director Yang reported on an updates associated with relevant library e-book legislation, MN SF 3685 and HF 3698. Board members expressed interest in writing a letter of support for the bills and formed a subcommittee.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 8:32.