

**AURORA TOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
550 Main Street, East Aurora, New York 14052  
**Minutes of the Board**  
Regular Monthly Meeting  
January 26, 2026, 6:00 p.m.

Present: Martha Buyer, Kara Spencer-Ching, Elaine Chow, Adam Zaremski, Paula Ausberger (ATPL Director); excused Sashi Racho

President Adam Zaremski called the meeting to order at 6:05pm.

1. There were no comments from the audience.
2. A motion (AZ, MB) to approve the Minutes of the Meeting: December 16, 2025 was carried by a voice vote.
  - a. Formatting issues and clarification of item e. Other: a. ACT update and b. Search committee recommended by Central Trustees has been hired with the purpose of finding a new System Director.
3. A motion (KSC, MB) to approve the Treasurer's Report: Monthly Financial Statements, Internal Auditor, & Contingency Fund Reports: December 2025 was carried by a voice vote.
  - a. Over \$3000 in Private Orders spent from Central/Downtown for half year
  - b. Constant spend of donated money
  - c. Gratitude and recognition of private donations
  - d. Overage County budget – Made revenue that will offset the overage for water bill
4. A motion (MB, AZ) to approve the Director's Report: December 2025 was carried by a voice vote.
  - a. Overall program attendance increased even with 10 fewer programs for the year
  - b. Highlights for December 2025 include:
    - Noon Year's Eve- 117 patrons
    - Boxbuster Movie Night Boxes - 99 patrons participated
    - Graham cracker houses – 108 attended 4 sessions, including an Allergy Friendly Night
    - Warm & Cozy Story Time – 45 children and adults attended
    - Library Leaders – 9 teens attended
    - Cooking Club, charcuterie board – 21 adults attended
  - c. Between Library and Friends fundraisers \$9,401.88 was raised in 2025.
  - d. 17 outreach visits compared to 10 2024.
  - e. Remain in top third of 37 Buffalo & Erie County Libraries in circulation and patron visits.
5. Reports of Interest
  - a. New bright blue cushions are being made for the benches in the children's area, courtesy of a donation from Ken Klocek. They should be installed before spring. This is in response to the feedback from our 2025 Parent & Caregiver Survey.
  - b. During Winter Fest, the Library is partnering with the East Aurora Cooperative Market for a story time at the local grocery store.
  - c. Sometime in spring, the Library plans to partner with the East Aurora Bike Bus for a Reading Ride, visiting little free libraries in the area.

6. Personnel

- a. Payroll Report: N/A
- b. Due to the minimum wage increase, effective December 3, 2025, the hourly rates for Pages and Senior Pages have increased as follows: Pages - \$16.00/hr and Senior Pages - \$17.00/hr
- c. The Board did not enter Executive Session

7. Old Business

- a. Maturing CDs
  - a. A motion (MB, KSC) to table the finalization of CDs was made to confirm bank paperwork received.

8. New Business

- a. Compliance Officer Report, nothing reported – signed by EC
- b. B&ECPL 2026 Resolution & Budget
- c. Chamber Music Festival – Free family music program will take place at ATPL on Thursday, June 11, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be on February 23, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

A motion (MB, KSC) to adjourn the meeting at 6:30pm was carried by a voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Elaine Chow

Secretary