

NCL Board Minutes

March 25, 2026

Present: Jessie Ansari, Scarlett Pontón de Dutton, John Eischeid, Elektra Greer, Dave Powlison, Tim Rehder, Josiah Masingale, Annie Thayer

Meeting called to order at 6:33pm

Public Comment—Vilma deVries visited us from the Netherlands.

1. Minutes from the Board Meeting on February 24, 2026 motion to approve, Josiah, Tim seconded, board voted to approve.
2. Reports
 - a. President's Report—exchange with Netherlands going well.
 - b. Foundation Report—book moving is still underway. Books will be stored in the space under the Co-Op and not in trailers. Transfer will happen on a Sunday afternoon sometime in the near future.
 - c. Treasurer's Report:

February 2026

1. As of February 28, 2026 checking/savings totaled \$408,678 of which we had \$39,881 in Checking, \$82,390 in our Reserve Fund, \$18,011 in Land Development fund, and \$5,000 in our Long-term Maintenance fund, and \$263,258 in Savings.
2. February total income was \$180,291 of which \$176,533 was from Total Property Tax Revenue, \$2,380 from Specific Ownership Tax, and \$923 from District Donations (including Reading Garden Wedding Venue deposit).
3. February 2026 expenses totaled \$47,416. Expense categories exceeding \$1,000 are summarized here for review purposes, but all expenses can be found on the Profit and Loss statement:
 - \$4,971 for Books and Materials
 - \$1,554 for Professional Fees
 - \$32,273 for Payroll (including Payroll Taxes)
 - \$4,188 for Program Development (includes Teen Advocacy program partially funded through Susan Gerhart Memorial funds)
4. Net income for February was: \$132,875

Treasurer’s Report Notes

- The sharp increase in expenditures in Office Supplies from January to February was for pre-purchasing of Printer ink. The increase from January to February in Telecommunications charges was a second payment of our Century Link charge that was missed in January and we also now have Google Fi charges for our Library cell phone (which we purchased for emergencies).

Respectfully Submitted,

[Jon Eischeid](#) and Elektra Greer

d. Director’s Report

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February	2025	2026
Physical Items Circulation	3753	3088
Electronic Materials Circulation	476	449
Door Traffic	3150	3138
Programming Attendance	394	321 +
Meeting Room usage (reservations)	21	25

Key Performance Indicators—there is quite a drop in our materials circulation numbers between last year and this year of this month. We will see if this rights itself next month and if there were any issues with the reports run in KOHA. We have seen a small, steady decline in overall circulation of materials, an overall trend in all libraries; the exception to this is our Experience Passes and Toy Library items.

2026 Denver Capitol Trip—we had a delegation of five Nederland-area students and five Library adults at the Capitol this year for Library Day. We met with three of our representatives and had time on the Senate floor. It was wonderful to hear our Nederland library recognized on the Senate floor by both Senators Marchman and Amabile.

Building Maintenance—we incurred an unexpected charge of \$2,348.44 for our HVAC system this month when we had no heat from either boiler; as in the past, no clear explanation was given as to why we continue to have issues despite quarterly maintenance checks and a \$35,000 upgrade in 2025.

The Library's outdoor light fixture was broken due to high winds in January; it was repaired at a cost of \$1,570.27. It was discouraging that our General Liability did not cover any portion of the cost.

Library Conference—Nederland library was invited to an IMLS (Institute of Museum and Library Services) Celebrate America's 250th Conference in Phoenix in April, with all expenses paid. Elektra will be attending and, upon return to Nederland, helping with community programming initiatives for the United States Semiquincentennial in June.

Financials—the library is contracting with Karen Fletcher to help with bookkeeping support (5 to 10 hours per month).

Business Services—our added day of notary appointments has been well-received and our printer continues to be very popular. We are going to begin to try to capture our business services usage numbers as a data point, measuring another of our valuable services to the community.

Spring Reading Program and Youth Programs—Thursday afternoon, May 21 kickoff

3. Old Business:

- a. Eldora Sale and MOU with Town—updates (Scarlett)—Next step is to present the Town with the MOU. Perhaps turn the MOU into an IGA (inter-governmental agreement). Will request a meeting after the April 7 town election with the newly elected mayor. Elektra and Dave will establish a document of our efforts to communicate with the town on the Eldora Sale that will be on the library Google docs.

4. New Business:

- a. Reading Garden outdoor sails—will hold off on this project until our financial situation becomes clearer.
- b. Library Banking and Investing Options presentation (Josiah). Established an investment committee of two board members plus the library director. Motion made by Dave that the committee will include Elektra, Annie, Scarlett and Josiah. Seconded by John. Motion passed unanimously.

8:07 PM. Adjourned.