

# Sno-Isle Libraries

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March 24, 2025

Meeting Minutes

Sno-Isle Libraries Service Center

## Call to Order

President Olson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m., followed by a land acknowledgment.

## Attendees

**Members present:** Rose Olson, Michael Adams, Kay Crull, Jennifer DePrey, Griselda Guevara-Cruz, Susan Kostick, and Paul Ryan.

President Olson confirmed quorum.

**Staff present:** Barb Adams, Melinda Armstrong, David Brown, Michelle Callihan, David Durante, Sonia Gustafson, Lindsay Hanson, Eric Howard, Christina Kourteva, Meredith Kraft, Tricia Lee, Phil Spirito, and Nicole Wehl.

## Approval of Agenda

Trustee Ryan moved the Sno-Isle Libraries Board of Trustees approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed.

## Executive Director Report

Executive Director Eric Howard highlighted information from the Executive Director's report and thanked staff from all departments for contributing to a successful re-opening of the Langley Library on March 22. Howard also commended the staff at the Monroe Library for their handling of a difficult customer interaction there.

## Consent Agenda

- a) Approval of the February 24, 2025 regular meeting minutes
- b) Approval of the February 2025 payroll, benefits, and vouchers

Trustee Crull moved the Sno-Isle Libraries Board of Trustees approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed.

## Public Comment

Kim Larson shared a written statement on behalf of Sno-Isle Libraries Employees United Board regarding an event that took place at the Monroe Library on March 13, 2025.

Trustee Michael Adams joined the meeting.

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## New Business

### Programs and Services Update

Assistant Directors of Community Libraries David Brown, Michelle Callihan, Lindsay Hanson, and Phil Spirito provided a high-level overview of their assigned focus areas and the work being undertaken.

Highlighted services and programs included:

- Early childhood development support.
- Digital literacy programming and services.
- Adult education and engagement opportunities.
- Local and system-wide programming initiatives.

## Staff Reports

### Financial Update

Assistant Director of Finance Nicole Wehl presented the March 2025 financial report.

## Committee and Trustees' Reports

### President's Report

President Olson reported on the following:

- The selection of the recipient of the 2024 Trustees' Award.
- The Board's annual retreat is tentatively scheduled for a weekend in June.

### Sno-Isle Libraries Foundation Liaison Report

Trustee Ryan reported on the work of the Sno-Isle Libraries Foundation:

- The nine new members of the Foundation Board of Directors officially began their terms in March.
- The 2025 Trudy Sundberg Lecture Series events on Whidbey Island had over 500 in-person attendees. Recordings of the lectures will be made available on the Foundation's website.
- On April 1<sup>st</sup>, the Foundation will participate in Library Giving Day, a national movement in support of public libraries.

## Adjournment

Trustee DePrey moved to adjourn the March 24, 2025 regular meeting of the Sno-Isle Libraries Board of Trustees. The motion passed. President Olson adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

*Rose Olson*

President

*Jennifer DePrey*

Secretary