

**Los Alamos County
Library Board
Minutes
March 2, 2026**

Members Present

Beth Stelle
Ryan Parker
Jason Chappel

Others Present

Gwen Kalavaza, Library Manager
Veronica Encinas, Senior Librarian
Councilor David Reagor

1. Call to Order

Chair Stelle called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

2. Public comment/correspondence (for items not on the agenda)

None

3. Board Business

A. Review and approval of the Feb 2, 2026 Library Board Minutes:

Motion: Board Member Parker moved to approve the minutes of the Feb 2, 2026 Library Board meeting. Vice Chair Chappel seconded the motion. Motion passed with all in favor.

B. Library Board Work Plan 2026 Presentation

Chair Stelle discussed the upcoming presentation to County Council and asked for comments or suggestions from the Board.

C. Outdoor Classroom Designs

Board members heard a presentation from Library Manager Kalavaza on the latest designs for the outdoor classroom project.

4. Chair and Board Member Reports

A. Chair's Report:

Chair Stelle reported that there was a successful interview with an interested candidate to serve on the Board and that this position may be filled pending County

Council's appointment on March 31st. Stelle also reported that the Semiquincentennial art show being planned by the Arts in Public Places Board and Step Up Art Gallery has been cancelled.

B. Boards & Commission Luncheon Report:

None.

C. Friends of Los Alamos County Library Liaison Report

Manager Kalavaza reported that the Friends of the Library Board voted to give the Library \$55,000 this year per the block grant requirement.

5. Board/Staff Communications:

Mangers Report: Library Manager Kalavaza reported the following information: Library circulation totals for the month of Feb were 22120 with 10030 of those being digital. In Feb 64 programs with 1395 attendees were held.

6. Informational items

The next meeting is on April 6 at the White Rock Branch Library.

7. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.

Approved by the Library Board April 6, 2026

Elizabeth Stelle, Library Board Chair